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More park space

The first community town meeting of the year yielded many topics to discuss, including a proposal to add more park space.

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Downsize government?

The County Legislature may still discuss downsizing, but in a more comprehensive approach geared to reform itself.

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COMMUNITY



Llama library invasion

The fuzzy mammal paid local children a visit at the Bethlehem Public Library

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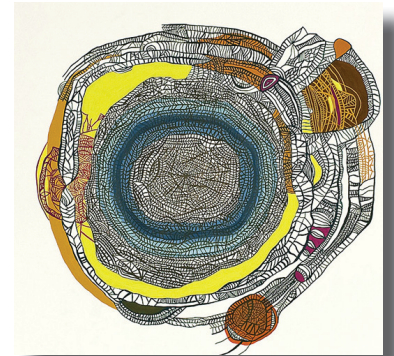
BETHLEHEM — A fuzzy friend entertained children at the Bethlehem Public Library earlier this month as part of the facility's youth literacy program.

Teri Conroy of Wunsapana Farm in Guilderland brought one of her llamas, Miss Tank, for a visit on Friday, May 8. The program included an informational session on llamas, and a reading of Anna Dewdney's book "Is Your Mama a Llama?" Kids were also able pet and have their picture taken with Miss Tank at the end of the event.

"I don't know what delights people more at these events, seeing the llamas or seeing the llamas in the library," said library Director Geoff Fitzpatrick.

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ENTERTAINMENT



Nature and MTV

A local artist, Jenny Kemp shares techniques with Sage students and speaks of how MTV had an influence upon her artistic flair.

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SPORTS



Walk off

A walk-off home run propels the Bethlehem girls softball team to a win over Colonie last week, but question remains whether they earned a berth into Sectionals.

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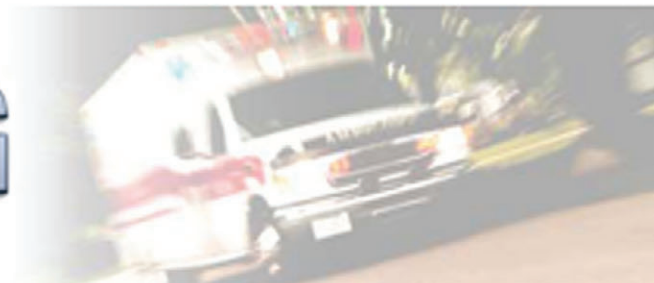
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The residents of our community benefit every day from the skill and commitment of our volunteer and career EMS professionals who are dedicated to saving lives and providing compassionate medical care. They are selfless professionals who dedicate the time, day and night, to respond to the emergency needs of our community.

Together these caring men and women answered more than 3,300 calls for medical assistance, emergencies, and accidents in the Town of Bethlehem during 2014. This included more than 17,500 scheduled volunteer responder hours during 2014. In addition, our EMS responders dedicate thousands of hours each year to practicing their skills, taking training classes, mentoring new responders, and maintaining equipment.

Our community is remarkably fortunate to have so many individuals that are committed to caring for their neighbors. Please join us in saluting our community's EMS professionals.

This year we also launch something new in conjunction with EMS Week. In the next few weeks, you will receive a mailer from Delmar-Bethlehem EMS asking for your support of our first annual fund drive. Proceeds of the fund drive will be used to improve the facilities for our responders and plan for future building needs.

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■ COPS, COURTS AND EMERGENCY CALLS

Human remains found

Coeymans police said human remains were found last week by a jogger in Coeymans Hollow.

The man was said to be jogging in the early morning of Thursday, May 14, in a remote area off County Route 102, when he found what looked to be badly decomposed remains. Police said they were unable to tell an age, gender or identity.

Coeymans police said they are working with the New York State Police Forensic Investigators unit and their Bureau of Criminal Investigation to determine the person's identity. Police said it is too early to determine if the death will be investigated as a crime.

Other arrests:

• Bethlehem police arrested Ryan J. Alexaitis, 22, of Amsterdam, Saturday, April 24 on charges of felony DWI and various traffic violations. Police said a car Alexaitis

was allegedly seen to have crossed several lanes of traffic without a signal on Route 9W, and then proceeded to travel south in the northbound lane of traffic. This almost caused the car to crash head-on into a semi-truck that was traveling northbound, but the truck beeped and the car swerved into a different lane, continuing to drive in the wrong direction. Police then stopped the vehicle at Route 9W and Corning Hill Road, after it moved back across the roadway into the southbound lanes. Alexaitis allegedly told police he was returning from a friend's house and was going to his mother's house in Glenmont. When police asked why Alexaitis had been driving the wrong way, he allegedly responded with "I know, I'm tired." After smelling alcohol, Alexaitis told police he had only had two to three beers "about two hours ago." Police said he proceeded to fail several field sobriety tests and was taken into

custody. At the station, police said Alexaitis asked to speak with a lawyer, and asked to call the "DWI guy." After speaking on the phone several times with an attorney and becoming aggravated, Alexaitis told police he felt his counsel didn't know what he was talking about, and was wasting his time. He wanted to talk to another lawyer and those calls shouldn't count. Police said any other answer or action than taking the chemical test would count as refusal to take the test. Alexaitis allegedly said he didn't know what to do and eventually refused the test. Because of a prior DWI conviction, the charge was elevated to a felony. Alexaitis was arraigned in Bethlehem Town Court and released. He was brought home by taxi and his car towed.

• State Police arrested John Rogers, 62, of Mass. on charges of DWI on the

morning of May 12. Police said they had stopped a vehicle on Western Avenue in the Town of Guilderland for a broken head light. At the same time, another vehicle just ahead had also stopped and the operator of that vehicle, later identified as John Rogers, curiously walked back to the trooper's patrol vehicle. During the interview of Rogers, troopers detected an odor of beverage alcohol emanating from his breath. Pursuant to Standardized Field Sobriety Tests, he was determined to be intoxicated. The primary stopped vehicle was released, and Rogers was arrested for DWI. He was processed at Latham station, where it was determined that he had a 0.22 percent BAC. He was charged with aggravated DWI and released on an appearance ticket. He is due to appear in the Guilderland Town Court on May 28.

Youth court law day

Bethlehem Youth Court hosted a Law Day event and Induction Ceremony on Tuesday, May 12 at the Bethlehem Town Hall. The keynote address was delivered by Mae D'Agostino, US District Court Judge. She told the story of how she grew up in Albany and became a trial court attorney and eventually a judge. She also spoke to graduates on the importance of listening skills, both in and out of the courtroom. She also commended the students for taking part in such a meaningful program.

There were 15 new graduates inducted into Bethlehem Youth Court: Colin Baranski, Lucy Barrett, Brennan Buhr, Grace Cavanagh, Liam Clarke, Sydney DeThomasis, Alec Devaprasad, James Dickinson, Ryan Fisk, Hudson Flynn, Alex Goldberg, Hayley Gorman,

Moeka Suzuki, Lindsay Vincelette, and Louise Xie.

The night also featured the third annual Judge Jordan Memorial Scholarship Competition, which was made possible by contributions from the Police Benevolent Association and the Bethlehem Police Supervisor's Association. Five Bethlehem Central High School seniors participated in the scholarship competition: Devan Baranski, Laura Hooper, Chris Partridge, Gabriela Sanders, and Kieran Taylor. The first place award, a \$750 scholarship went to Kieran Taylor. The second place \$250 award went to Laura Hooper. The remaining contestants all received a six-month membership to the Bethlehem YMCA.

Scholarship participants presented oral arguments to a panel of judges during the Law Day event.

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GOVERNMENT

Town seeks more park space

First community town meeting of the year held in Glenmont

By **MARCY VELTE**
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BETHLEHEM — The first community meeting of the year was held in Glenmont last week by town officials to discuss upcoming projects and resident concerns.

Supervisor John Clarkson led the meeting on Thursday, May 14, at Glenmont Elementary School on Route 9W. The forum lasted for about two hours, with about 30 people in attendance.

Town officials and staff took questions and comments from the crowd, and they presented updates on several development proposals for the area. Topics ranged from the acquisition of land for additional park space, construction of new housing developments

and retail space, traffic and installation of more sidewalks.

The meeting was also attended by Councilwoman Joann Dawson, Councilman Bill Reinhardt, Councilwoman Julie Sasso and several department heads.

Park acquisitions

Director of Parks and Recreation Nan Lanahan presented residents with a proposal to add 22 acres to the South Bethlehem Park on Wylie Lane. The plan was presented to members of the Town Board last week, and they approved the performance of an environmental assessment on the property.

The project is in its early stages. Lanahan said the property owners are aging and wish to sell the land. The additional park space would be used to add more lacrosse fields in town, since the sport is growing and the local lacrosse club wants to field its headquarters.

"Not to mention, it's a beautiful piece of property, and it preserves open space," said Lanahan, adding the property drains well.

One woman in attendance was concerned about parking, while others wanted to know about traffic. The town is in talks with the club to partner on an upcoming traffic assessment before the project moves forward.

"We are finding out there's a lot of potential for public-private partnerships, and we may be able to leverage that to get more sports fields available for our youth," said Clarkson. "We're, of course, worried about the impact on tax payers, but when you get the chance to get something you know is needed over the long term at a good price, it seems like a prudent thing to explore."

Parkland Set Aside Funds would be used if acquisition of the land goes forward. The cost is estimated to be \$40,000.

The town was also approached by the Ravena-Coeymans-Selkirk Central School District to see if there was interest in taking over land the district owns next to Selkirk Park off Thatcher Street. The town currently has an easement for the roadway and parking lot between the two properties and takes care of the tennis and basketball courts. RCS is looking to sell the former administration building on the property, and it would not be included in the deal.

However, Clarkson said RCS Superintendent Alan McCartney offered acquisition of the new land, but McCartney died unexpectedly last week. The project is now on hold until they have someone else with whom to discuss the proposal.

Development and retail

The town is moving forward with its stalled Local Waterfront

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— John Clarkson
Bethlehem town supervisor

Revitalization Plan for the Hudson River. The plan was prepared from 2007 to 2010, but had trouble moving forward because of employee turnover with the state, said Planning and Economic Development Director Rob Leslie.

The final draft of the plan was submitted to the state in April. Plans call for upgrades at entrance corridors, attracting more restaurants and a marina to the waterfront and safer access for pedestrians and bikers. The town is now applying for a state grant due in July and seeking members for a waterfront revitalization committee, which would start meeting

in June.

Leslie also gave updates on various development projects throughout Glenmont and Selkirk, but the one of most concern was Wemple Corners.

Leslie said the project remains on hold as the town awaits response from the developer. They have since decreased the number of housing units from 526 to 474. The applicant is drafting the final environmental impact statement, and although a first draft was submitted last December, many of the town's questions have not been answered.

The key issue for the town was traffic impact mitigation. The problem has been the town has asked developers to mitigate traffic from its current levels, but developers only want to help reduce the traffic their own project will help create.

"That's not enough," said Leslie. "We want to see more traffic mitigation on their part, and they haven't come to the table. Until I think we see more dialog or more discussion on those items, I don't think it's a project that will

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■ GOVERNMENT

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move forward."

Glenmont Abbey Village senior housing is already in construction off Glenmont Road and is projected for a fall completion. The Newell Place Conservation Subdivision proposed for Wemple Road is still under review, along with the mixed-use Kendall Square, which would include retail on the first floor and five apartments on the second.

Leslie also reviewed the Taco Bell now under construction in Bethlehem Town Center. Another building is also expected to be finished this fall in Glenmont Plaza, and will include a Moe's, Menchie's Frozen Yogurt and a third, unknown occupant.

Sidewalks and speed reduction

Officials also discussed plans for more sidewalks in the area.

The second phase of the Feura Bush Road sidewalk is planned for 2016. The plan has been delayed since the original route needed to be changed because of culverts and utility poles. The continuation of the sidewalk will most likely have to be built on the opposite side of the road, with a road crossing.

The town will be contacting homeowners for potential easements to install the continuing sidewalk, and some trees in the right-of-way will need to be removed. By the end, the sidewalk will extend from Elm to Elsmere Avenue.

The town is also

working with CSX to install sidewalk on Maple Avenue in Selkirk. Installation is planned for July 2015. The project was initiated in 2005, with the first two phases completed. However, the third phase was stalled due to lack of funds. Another major hurdle was building a railroad crossing to link the sidewalk on either side of the tracks that pass Maple Avenue. Not including the safety crossing would mean liability issues for the town.

CSX helped pay for the project. The next phase of sidewalk will extend from John Street to Pausley Court. The town is now finalizing permits with the state and CSX.

Town officials said they are also working to reduce the speed on Wemple and Feura Bush Road from 40 mph to 35, since more pedestrians will likely be seen on those roads in the future. The town needs permission from the state to lower the speed on Feura Bush, but not Wemple. So far, the state has rejected the plan, since officials said people are likely to drive 40 anyway. The town is looking for resident feedback.

Town officials will host a series of forums on upcoming Thursdays, stopping in each of the town's hamlets to discuss matters of interest with residents. The next town hall community meeting will be held for Elsmere and Delmar residents on Thursday, May 21, at the Elsmere Fire Department, at 7 p.m.

County nixes downsizing

Proposal to hack number of seats voted down 21 to 18

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY and EMILY DREW**
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ALBANY COUNTY — The Albany County Legislature won't be downsized any time soon.

"Basically, I think [the idea] is dead," said County Legislator Charles Dawson, Jr., D-Glenmont. "There is a chance for it to tie into a more comprehensive reform package." However, he expressed doubt the subject would come to action again.

Last Monday, county lawmakers voted 21 to 18 against a proposal that would have allowed voters to decide whether to reduce the present legislature from 39 seats down to 29.

The notion of reducing the legislature was one brought on by a Charter Review Commission in January 2014. In that

review, an independent, bi-partisan study suggested a reduction to 25 seats. Such a cut was said to improve the representation of county residents. A savings of nearly \$400,000 was another stated benefit associated with the elimination of 14 seats. That savings, Dawson said, was an incomplete figure that did not include benefits or other expenditures, nor was it the crux of the matter.

"I don't think it's our decision to make," said Dawson, who was first elected to the legislature in 1999. He expressed his belief that his constituents voted him into office to tackle issues that impacted the community, but that this matter had to do more with the structure of government. "It's for the people to decide," he said.

Ultimately, committee members finalized a measure to reduce the number of seats to 29, instead of the previous proposal to drop it down to 25. Of the lawmakers who sponsored the potential

law, Chairman Shawn Morse, D-Cohoes, Frank Comisso, D-Albany, Bryan Clenahan, D-Westmere, and Lucille McKnight, D-Albany, voted against the proposal.

The Spotlight left a message for Morse, which was not returned in time for publication.

For Tim Nichols, D-Colonie, there are more items that need to be addressed.

"My point was, let's do it the right way," said Nichols, who voted against the proposal. "The last time we rushed a local law... We got sued and lost."

That loss is in reference to a decision from the U.S. District Court that ruled county lawmakers violated the 1965 Voting Rights Act when they changed district lines in 2011. The Legislature was ordered to submit a remedial redistricting plan, and barred from holding elections until then.

"To rush through, we're

not going to do what really needs to be redone—redistricting, campaign financing reform," said Nichols. "To only focus on one item was a mistake. I think my constituents want me to fight for real reform. I think there's a real interest in the legislature on both sides of the aisle to put forth a comprehensive charter reform based on the recommendations of the commission."

Nichols said he was in favor of the commission's recommendation to downsize, but that there are more steps to take for reform.

"The issue, for me, is by far not dead," said Nichols. "It's very much alive [and] to be taken care of with all the other reforms that need to take place. ... I feel very confident that we will have a charter reform proposal on the ballot for this November. It will include some type of downsizing. Downsizing will be addressed in that proposal."

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■ NEIGHBORHOOD NEWS

BAA Art Show at Bethlehem Library

BETHLEHEM — The Bethlehem Art Association's Spring Art Show is on display at the Bethlehem Public Library, 451 Delaware Ave., through the month of May.

This is a juried show in which BAA members are invited to submit one or two pieces for selection. Thirty-five talented local artists have their works on display. The artwork covers a variety of mediums, including photography, oil, watercolor, pastel and mixed media.

For more information, visit www.bethlehemartassociation.com.

Grange seeks rummage sale items

BETHLEHEM — The Bethlehem Grange is seeking donations for its giant rummage sale, which takes place May 22-23 at the Grange Hall, 24 Bridge St., Selkirk.

The Grange is looking for furniture, household items, craft items, dinnerware, linens, glassware, clothing, books, computer items, music items, holiday items and more.

To arrange delivery or pick-up, call Mary Starr at 767-9672, Jo Downey at 767-2985, Caroline Wirth at 424-4353 or Carol Carpenter at 421-1384.

Discover the Indian Ladder Trail

VOORHEESVILLE — Families can learn about the geology of Thatcher Park and look for blooming flowers during the Indian Ladder Trail guided walk Saturday, May 23, at 10 a.m.

It is recommended that visitors wear sturdy shoes and meet at the Indian Ladder picnic area.

The Thacher Nature Center is also offering a wildflower walk May 23 at 2 p.m. in Thacher Park. Families can learn about the myths and legends of the spring wildflowers. Naturalist Sigrin Newell will explain the historic uses of the wildflowers at Thatcher Park.

To register or for more information, call the Thacher Nature Center at 872-0800.



Larson honored in state Senate

New York state Senator George Amedore, right, recognized West Point Cadet Gregory Larson, from Voorheesville, in the Senate Chamber Tuesday, May 6. Larson traveled to the Capitol as part of the traditional West Point Day, held annually for the Legislature to pay tribute to the United States Military Academy.

Submitted photo

Learn about fly fishing

BETHLEHEM — Families can come learn about fly fishing with the Capital District Fly Fishers club at the Fly Fishing Demonstration Day on Saturday, May 30, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., at Colonial Acres Golf Course. Families can learn how to tie a fly and how to cast a fly rod.

The Golf & Learning Academy at Colonial Acres has many activities throughout the year, such as a DiscGolf course and a nature trail around the entire golf facility.

For more information about more Golf & Learning Academy events, visit www.golfandlearning.com.

For more information about the Capital District Fly Fishers, visit www.cdflyfishers.org.

Solstice committee seeks volunteers

BETHLEHEM — The Mohawk Hudson Land Conservancy seeks volunteers, vendors and sponsors for its annual Summer Solstice Festival, which takes place June 20 on the Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail.

The festival will have extended hours this year, as well as a

hike-a-thon involving guided hikes through four pre-selected MHLC preserves. Hikers with pets are invited to join the Tails on the Rail Trail walk. All hikers receive a free Solstice Festival T-shirt.

The Albany County Helderberg Hudson Rail Trail is a nine-mile stretch of an old D&H rail line from Voorheesville to the Port of Albany.

For more information, visit www.solsticecelebration.org.

After school fun at Five Rivers

BETHLEHEM — Children in kindergarten through fifth grade and their caregivers are invited to join center staff for a series of after school programs at Five Rivers Environmental Education Center, 56 Game Farm Road.

From 4:30 to 5:30 p.m. every Thursday through June 18, the Outdoors After School program will meet. Participants will gather at the education center briefly before heading into the woods and fields for a different adventure every week. Come for as many sessions as you would like, and dress for outdoor activity.

For more information, call 475-0291.

Celebrate anniversary of native plants

VOORHEESVILLE — Thatcher Park is having its 10th annual Native Plant Sale on Saturday, May 30, and Sunday, May 31, from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.

There will be more than 50 hard-to-find species of perennials, ferns and small trees. These native plants will attract butterflies, hummingbirds and other pollinators. These plants will also provide seeds for migratory and winter birds. Experienced staff will be able to help each person find the right plant.

Families at the Native Plant Sale will be able to join a guided hike, meet a beekeeper from Bees of the Woods Apiary and purchase books. There will be face painting and kids' crafts such as planting a "Milkweed for Monarchs" to bring home.

For more information, call 872-0800.

Plots available at community garden

ALBANY — The Normanskill Farm Community Garden has several plots available for people interested in growing their own fresh fruits and vegetables.

The Normanskill Farm is located on the border between Albany and Bethlehem. The road is accessed off Delaware Avenue next to the Normanside Veterinary Clinic. Continue along the road past the horse stables until you reach the garden and adjacent dog park. The 2-acre garden has different sized plots available for experienced and novice gardeners.

The garden is managed by Capital Roots — formerly Capital District Community Gardens — a 40-year-old private, non-profit organization that operates a number of programs throughout the region that improve access to fresh, affordable fruit and vegetables.

To register for a new gardener orientation, call Capital Roots at 274-8685. For more information about other programs and services, visit www.capitalroots.org.

Drivers needed for delivering meals

GUILDERLAND — Volunteers are needed for delivering meals to the homebound residents in Guilderland on Friday mornings from 10-11:30 a.m.

Substitute drivers interested in volunteering "once in a while" for about an hour and a half have the opportunity to deliver meals to Guilderland/Altamont residents.

For more information, call the town's Senior Office at 356-1980, ext. 1095.

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Wildlife rehabilitator Joyce Perry of Whispering Willow Wild Care will be at the Bethlehem Public Library at 1 p.m. Friday, May 22, to talk about the work she does rescuing injured and orphaned wildlife. Also visiting will be some of her rescued raptor "ambassadors."

Whispering Willow Wild Care rehabilitates orphaned and injured wildlife and releases the animals back into the wild when they are able to survive on their own. Many birds of prey sustain injuries that prohibit them from returning to the wild, and some of those birds become ambassadors to captivate children and adults in live educational presentations, teaching people how important these birds are to our environment and what can be done to help these species survive.

This program is co-sponsored by Bethlehem Senior Projects, Inc. and is free and open to everyone.

Stretch your food dollar

Wage don't always keep up with the rising prices at the grocery store, and for



most families, a significant percentage of their earnings go to keeping themselves fed. There are, however, ways to find a balance that keeps a family nourished without breaking the bank.

On Tuesday, May 26, at the library, a Cornell Cooperative Extension educator will talk about how to spend less on food without sacrificing taste or nutrition. Her interactive workshop will help participants develop a strategy to reduce food waste, plan ahead, and shop smarter.

Registration is required. To sign up, call 439-9314 or visit www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org.

Holiday hours

Bethlehem Public Library will be closed Memorial Day weekend Saturday-Monday, May 23-25. Access the library catalog and other library services online anytime at www.bethlehempubliclibrary.org.

Upcoming events

Tuesday, May 26 — Tai Chi for Health

Practice the ancient Chinese art that benefits health and wellness. Our program offers instruction in basic movements for people of any age. No prior experience is required. 10 a.m.

— Kristen Roberts

Memorial Day, the Y and Irving Berlin

Memorial Day is set aside to remember the brave men and women who gave their lives to protect our country and preserve our freedom. It is marked by solemn ceremony, such as marking the graves of veterans with flowers and flags, and by parades that celebrate America, including our annual parade in Bethlehem.

The YMCA pioneered efforts to help provide comfort, care and support to American soldiers on the front lines — starting with answering a call to action from President Abraham Lincoln during the Civil War, and continuing through World Wars I and II right up to today, with the Y helping our troops overseas.

But did you know, and I'll be shocked if you did, that the Y's efforts to support our troops was once memorialized in a song by one of our nation's greatest songwriters? Irving Berlin was one



of the most prolific and popular songwriters of the 20th century, counting among his many hits "White Christmas," "Puttin' On The Ritz" and "Cheek to Cheek" (ask your grandparents). He wrote songs for Broadway shows and films and was nominated for nine Academy Awards.

Just after he started writing hit songs, Sergeant Irvin Berlin served in the U.S. Army in World War I. During the war, the YMCA provided military support services on a scale that had never been attempted by a community-based organization, serving 19 million soldiers of the Allied armies. The Y provided a safe place to write home, as well as educational services to troops and activities to help with their morale, welfare

and recreational needs.

Sgt. Berlin so appreciated the Y's efforts to comfort World War I soldiers during such a brutal and catastrophic time that he wrote a song called "I Can Always Find A Little Sunshine At the YMCA."

The lyrical refrain goes: "You can picture me ev'ry ev'ning/At the close of the day, Writing a little letter / In the YMCA, Don't you worry, mother darling/For while the skies are gray, I can always find a little sunshine in the YMCA."

Irving Berlin wrote hundreds of catchy and memorable songs. This wasn't one of them. You can look up the song title on YouTube and take a listen if you are so inclined. When it comes to songs about the YMCA, it's a distant second to the Village People, but a nice message nonetheless.

Getting back to Memorial Day, here are some interesting facts: Memorial Day originated shortly after the Civil War

when people decorated the graves of Union soldiers with flowers, hence the original name "Decoration Day." By 1890, all Northern states observed the holiday, while Southern states refused to acknowledge it, honoring their dead on separate days until after World War I when the holiday changed from honoring just those who died in the Civil War to honoring Americans who died fighting in any war.

The last Monday in May was chosen because it was not an anniversary of any particular battle; New York was the first state to officially recognize the holiday in 1873; Waterloo, N.Y., was officially declared the birthplace of Memorial Day by President Lyndon Johnson in May 1966; Congress passed the National Holiday Act of 1971 that ensured a three day weekend for Federal holidays, including Memorial Day.

— Mark Hansen



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Pippin at Proctors

Join us for “Pippin”, the magical story of a young prince on a death-defying journey to find meaning in his existence. The show is at Proctor’s on Thursday, May 28, at 8 p.m. The ticket cost is \$46, payable to Town of Bethlehem. Suggested van donation: \$10. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make your reservation.

The Caregiver's Support Group will meet on Wednesday, May 27, from 10:30 a.m. to noon, at the Bethlehem Town Hall. Join others who are caring for a loved one who has been diagnosed with Alzheimer's or another dementia. Call Jane Sanders at 439-4955, ext. 1174.

Are you turning 65 this year? Learn about Medicare and EPIC (NYS Senior Prescription Drug Plan) on Wednesday, May 27, from 1-3 p.m. The program will cover Medicare, EPIC,



Town of Bethlehem

supplemental insurance and Medicare Part D. Call 439-4955, ext. 1176, to make a reservation.

Outreach workers are available to assist with counseling on health insurance, housing issues, food stamps, health and income related programs or heating costs support. Make an appointment by calling 439-4955, ext. 1176.

The Bethlehem Food Pantry at Town Hall is in need of tea, coffee, cleaning products, toothpaste and deodorant. Donations may be dropped off at the Senior Services Office.

The Bethlehem Senior Citizens Club meets weekly on Thursdays for an enjoyable afternoon of games and socializing at

the Bethlehem Town Hall auditorium, 445 Delaware Ave., Delmar, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Bring a lunch and play pinochle, bingo or mah jongg. Or just come for a chat with friends. Call Yvonne Mendleson at 472-0202 for more information.

Bethlehem Senior Transportation Service provides rides to medical, dental, therapy and clinic appointments, grocery stores, and a variety of social and recreational programs. The Bethlehem Food Pantry offers assistance to those in need and accepts donations of non-perishable food, as well as paper and household products. Come to the Senior Office in Town Hall for a copy of our newsletter or visit the Senior Services website at townofbethlehem.org.

Bethlehem Senior
Projects, Inc.'s website is
bethlehemseniorproject.org.

— *Wilma DeLucco*

Art show and reception

The Town of Guilderland Senior Artists League will be exhibiting their work at the Guilderland Public Library June 5 through 26. You are cordially invited to the opening reception of the exhibit on Sunday, June 7, from 2 to 4 p.m., at the Guilderland Public Library, located at 2228 Western Ave. Light refreshments will add to the festivity.

S.A.L.T. presentation
takes place June 11, 10:30-
11:30 a.m. Please call by
May 15 to sign-up

The office of the Albany County District Attorney's Senior and Law Enforcement Together (S.A.L.T.) is a multi-disciplinary approach: a partnership between the District Attorney's Office, other law enforcement agencies, community organizations and members of the senior community themselves.

The goal of S.A.L.T. is to heighten public awareness of elder abuse, provide prevention and intervention strategies, and offer education to those serving seniors. The

Town of Guilderland SENIOR CALENDAR

ultimate goal is to combat elder fraud/abuse and exploitation.

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Gujilderland seniors
(please call the Senior
Office for more
information at 356-1980):

Wednesday, June 17 — A Lobster Feast with Karen's Cabaret and John Hartman at the Log Cabin Banquet House. Lunch, show and bus: \$70. Departure: 9:30 a.m. Return: approximately 4-4:30 p.m. BBQ chicken and ribs are also served, for non-lobster eaters.

Wednesday, July 15
— Lake George Lunch
Cruise on Lac du Saint
Sacrement. Buffet lunch,
music and bus: \$49.
Departure: 10 a.m. Return:
approximately 3-3:30 p.m.

Tuesday, August 4 —
“Tanglewood on Parade”
with the Boston Symphony
Orchestra, Boston Pops
and Tanglewood Orchestra.
Bus and show: \$46.
Departure: 6 p.m. Return:

approximately 11-11:30
p.m.

Tuesday, September 29 — Gavin's Country Inn buffet luncheon. A welcome game of bingo with coffee/tea & Irish scones, all-you-can-eat buffet including prime rib and shrimp cocktail, live music and bus: \$56. Departure: 9:30 a.m. Return: approximately 4-4:30 p.m.

Wednesday, October 7 — “The Complete Works of William Shakespeare... Abridged” at Lake George Dinner Theatre. Lunch, show and bus: \$71. Departure: 10 a.m. Return: approximately 4-4:30 p.m.

Weekly schedule

Wednesday, May 20

Scheduled shopping
9 a.m. Cardio Circuit
10:30 a.m. Strong
Bones +

10:30 a.m. Sr. Fitness

1 p.m. Needlecraft
1:30 p.m. Strong Bones +

Thursday, May 21

Scheduled shopping
9 a.m. Strong Bones +
12:30 p.m. Mahjonn
1 p.m. Pinochle

Lessons in leadership: You define your role

By RUTH MAHONEY,
President,
Capital Region, KeyBank

Over the course of my career, which began as a management trainee with KeyBank in 1991, I've had the good fortune of learning about leadership from many generous mentors.

Occasionally, I've learned how to be a better leader through experiences with some not so generous mentors, who also happened to be not so good at leading. If you've worked long enough, you know what I'm talking about. There are bosses and there are "bosses." The latter is not a good thing. They suck the life out of an organization by diminishing the impact of those who are most important to its success—its workers.

On Friday, June 5, one of the best leaders and mentors I have ever met, Beth Mooney, is coming to the Capital Region. Beth is KeyCorp chairman and CEO, and she will take the stage as keynote speaker of the 14th Annual Key4Women Forum. Her presentation, "Journey to the corner office," will trace her path from secretary to the most powerful woman in banking. It is a

lesson in leadership. More important, it is a story of success and empowerment... a reminder that the unimaginable can become possible through belief, discipline and dedication.

Leadership is action

Leadership is not a title, and it is not defined by a person's number of direct reports or the scope of their budgetary responsibilities. Instead, it is the outcome of engaging in behaviors that benefit yourself and others. This is why many say leaders aren't born, they are made.

Beth Mooney is a made leader, and one of my favorite Beth stories is about how she earned her first big break in banking. After determining she wasn't a very good secretary but had an aptitude for numbers, Beth applied to every bank management training program in Dallas. They all said no. So she went to the Republic Bank of Dallas, directed herself to the manager's office, and did not leave until he offered her a job. Three hours later, he did, provided she earned her MBA.



Ruth Mahoney

The most important lesson in leadership is that we don't need permission to lead. Before we lead others we must lead ourselves. Like Beth, we must have the strength to look in the mirror and say: "I am not doing what I am supposed to be doing. My skills and passion are better suited for something else." Then we must have the will to define what that something is and pursue it.

The reason this is so important is because as you gain more responsibility at work and in your life, you need to do the same thing. You must analyze situations, assess potential outcomes and pursue strategies that will help you achieve your desired results.

Leadership is accountability

American Banker executive editor Bonnie McGeer wrote: "Beth [Mooney] is wielding influence to make a difference in the lives of her customers and community... and her holistic approach to leadership is rebuilding trust in the banking industry."

Fourteen years of empowering insights at the Key4Women Forum

On Friday, June 5, KeyCorp Chairman and CEO Beth Mooney will present "Journey to the corner office: Leadership lessons from the most powerful woman in banking," at the 14th Annual Key4Women Forum at Glen Sanders Mansion in Scotia.

Over the years, the Key4Women Forum has featured financial experts, business owners and inspirational leaders, including Jean Chatzky, Dee Dee Myers, U.S. Army Brigadier General Rebecca Halstead and Barbara Corcoran. Here is some of the best of what they've shared.

"Courage is that little extra something that each of us has. It's a skill we can choose to employ consciously to take ourselves to the next level—personally, professionally or organizationally."
—Cindy Solomon, Author and Executive Coach, 2011 Key4Women Forum

"I was down so far I had nowhere to go but up. And I think that's the lesson. You don't need a lot. I had \$100. Too many people wait for things to be perfect."
—Nadja Piatka, Successful Business Owner and Author, 2009 Key4Women Forum

"Empowering women around the world would make societies fairer—and help us resolve conflicts and sustain peace. In other words, it's not the politically correct thing to do; it's the smart thing to do."
—Dee Dee Myers, Former White House Press Secretary, 2008 Key4Women Forum

"On a climb, everyone on the team should feel like a leader. Decision-making is a collaborative process, because the risks are so great. So you have to try to use good judgment all the time, because every decision you make, regardless of your role on the team, can affect everyone around you. It should be the same in business and life."

—Alison Levine, Expedition Leader and Inspirational Speaker, 2007 Key4Women Forum

"The number one issue for women trying to find balance in their lives is that they do not give themselves enough credit. They can accomplish 462 things in a day but focus on the 3 things they did not get done or get perfect."

—Mary LoVerde, Author and Life Balance Consultant, 2005 Key4Women Forum

"Define your success by how you make others successful."

—Rebecca Halstead, Retired U.S. Army Brigadier General, 2014 Key4Women Forum

"The obstacles I faced are the reason for my success. They made me stronger and more skilled. And while there were definitely times when I felt like I couldn't keep going, I finally got to the point where I could say: 'I can do this and I am fortunate that I can.'"

—Lynn Donahue, Business Founder and Author, 2006 Key4Women Forum

To register for the 2015 Key4Women Forum, visit key.com/eky4womenforum or call 866-KEY4WOM. Your \$35 registration fee will benefit The Women's Fund of the Capital Region.

What McGeer is really saying is that Beth acts with accountability—to herself and others. In today's economy and with the public perception of the banking industry not being very high, Beth understands the importance of her role, both as a corporate leader and as the first woman CEO of a top-20 U.S. bank.

At the end of the day we may not be the "first" at anything, but we all have a role, and it is valuable and important. Being a leader is about understanding your role, as well as the roles of others, and then committing to a course of action that will help you and everyone around you succeed. This includes recognizing mistakes and shortcomings, then developing a plan to address them.

Leadership is cooperation

In my experience, I have learned it is important to never overlook the knowledge anyone has and is willing to offer. I can honestly say I have learned as much from my teams as my teams have learned from me. In fact, that's when I've been my best as a leader. Because we are all talented, and we all have something valuable to contribute. When people recognize that, and nurture it, they create an environment in which everyone can fully capitalize on and benefit from the strengths of each individual.

How do we accomplish this? Clear communication.

George Bernard Shaw, the late Irish playwright, once said: "The greatest problem with communication is the

illusion that it has been accomplished."

Effective leaders communicate regularly, with transparency and with the expectation that it is a two-way street.

The important thing to remember is that leadership is not a title, and it is not reserved for the workplace. We all have the ability to lead—at work, at home and in the community. What determines our capacity to do so is the strength of our commitment to be our best selves and willingness to selflessly help others do the same.

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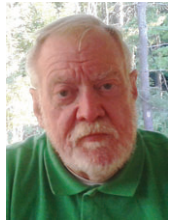


■ OBITUARY

Tobie L. Anderson

SLINGERLANDS
— Tobie L. Anderson, 71, passed away on Tuesday, May 12, 2015, at St. Peter's Hospital.

Tobie was born in Jamestown, N.Y., on August 31, 1943, to his parents, Carl and Linnea Anderson. He grew up in Bemus Point, N.Y., and was graduated from Bemus Point High School in 1961. He was in the first graduating class of Jamestown Community College, where he helped found the "Young Republicans Club." Tobie then attended the University of Buffalo and was graduated in 1966 with a degree in political science. He was a member of the International Society and enjoyed hosting



Tobie Anderson

weekend getaways for his international friends on Lake Chautauqua. Tobie attended Albany State University and received a Masters degree in political science in 1967.

He worked at the Department of Labor, Mental Hygiene, and concluded his 30-year career with the state in the Department of Criminal Justice. Tobie served as the chairman of the Zoning Board of Appeals in East Greenbush for 12 years. In retirement, he loved his job with the Spotlight Newspapers, since it gave him the opportunity to socialize with so many people.

Tobie made friends wherever he went. He cherished his family. He especially enjoyed the adventures they had and their travels throughout the United States and Europe. Tobie was an avid reader. He would tell his friends that he loved puppets, politics and professional wrestling. He was very proud of his Swedish heritage. He was a member of VASA (a Swedish

organization) and was a regional delegate for the local chapter. Tobie was extremely knowledgeable in Swedish history and enjoyed giving occasional lectures on the topic.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy; his step-daughter, Lauren (Brandon) Milholland, of Scarsdale, N.Y.; and his sister, Maj-Britt Traynor, of Bemus Point, N.Y.

Relatives and friends were invited to call at the Applebee Funeral Home, 403 Kenwood Ave., Delmar on Friday, May 15, 2015 from 4 to 7 p.m. Funeral services were held Saturday, May 16, at 1 p.m., in the First United Methodist Church, 428 Kenwood Ave., Delmar.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to VASA Tegner 109 in care of Anders Faltskog, 32 Charles St., Ballston Spa, NY 12020. Donations will be dedicated to providing educational experiences for students to learn more about Scandinavia.

■ COMMUNITY

Fancy Nancy Tea Party

Oh la la! Join us on Friday, May 22, at 4 p.m., for a party that is just "Très Magnifique!" Dress up in your fanciest clothes — whether in tiaras, tutus, beads, ribbons, boas or bows — and join us for a Fancy Nancy Tea Party!

We will read some excerpts from the book "Fancy Nancy Tea Parties" by Jane O'Connor to help us with our etiquette, and we will make corsages and necklaces, enjoy bubbles, learn French words, have tea and eat some delectable (that's fancy for yummy) treats.

Kids in grades K through 2 are cordially invited and must bring a guardian to attend them. Please list any food allergies in the notes field when registering; register by calling 456-2400, ext. 4.

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Unlike alphabetic or phonetic systems, each written Chinese word is represented by its unique symbol, an abstract diagram called a character, which not only denotes specific meanings, but also reveals energy and vitality in its natural way. Calligraphy is the perfect tool to express the aesthetic forms and dynamic energy embodied within Chinese characters. Depending on whether one uses the tip or side of the brush, one can create either two-dimensional or three-dimensional effects.

GPL provides all the necessary materials of Chinese calligraphy. You will have an opportunity to

write a few useful Chinese characters, such as numbers (1-10) and your own name in Chinese.

Presenter Dr. Wei Zhang teaches Mandarin as the second language (CSL-A1) for adult students in Chinese School of CCC (Chinese Community Center). He also taught Comprehensive Drawing Class in the same school, as he loves drawing and oil painting. Please register by calling 456-2400, ext. 2.

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— Mark Curiale

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PICK OF THE WEEK



GottaGetGon!
Festival season is upon us, and the Saratoga County Fairgrounds hosts the annual three-day folk music fest, GottaGetGon, featuring Brooks Williams, Windborne Singers, Lorraine & Bones. For tickets and information, go to www.pickingandsinging.org.
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ARTS

Nature and MTV

Local artist Jenny Kemp shares techniques with Sage students

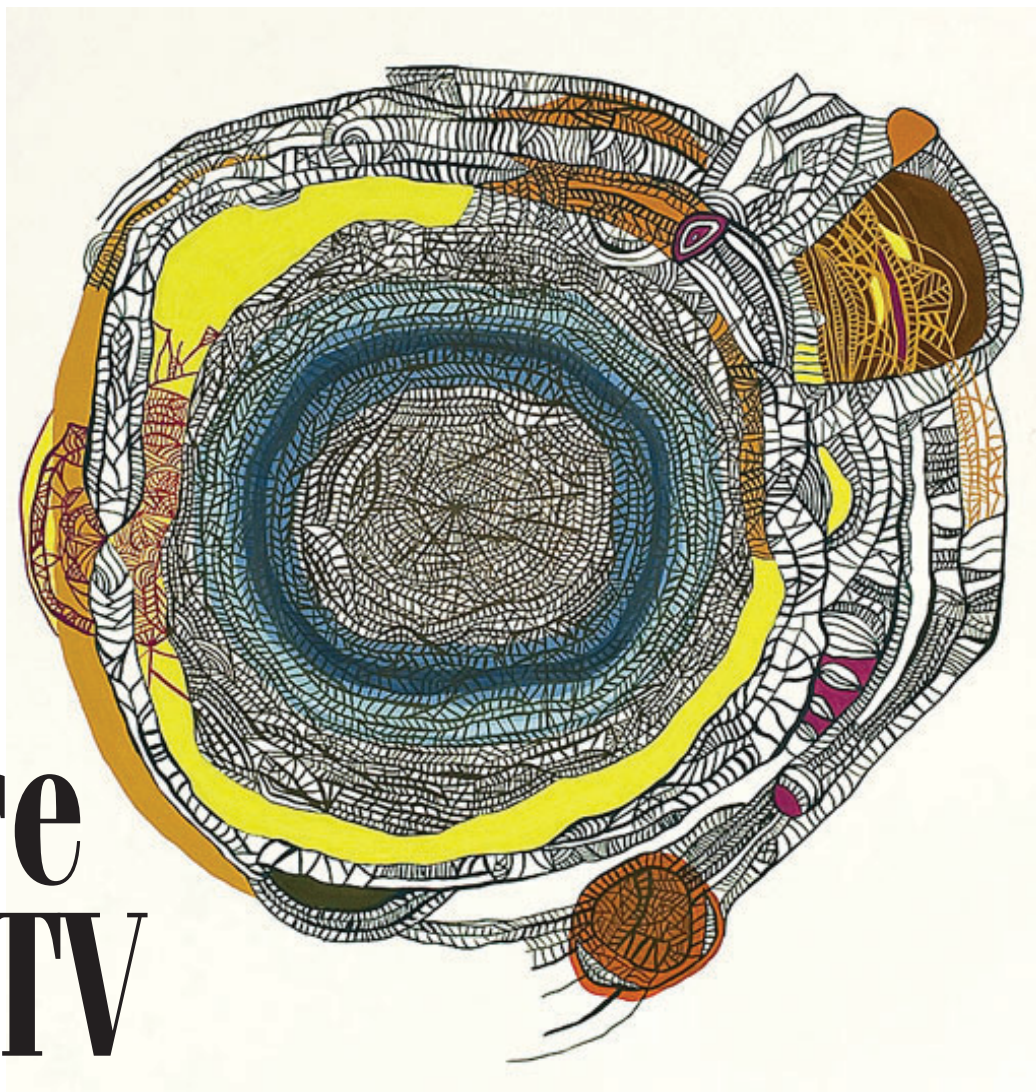
By **EMILY DREW**
drewe@spotlightnews.com

As the spring semester comes to a close, Sage of Albany ended this year's Artist Lecture Series with a presentation by the native Troy fine artist Jenny Kemp. The Opalka Gallery lecture room was filled with students, ready to hear Kemp speak about her technique, which has earned her spots in dozens of galleries and exhibitions throughout the country. Kemp's lecture concluded Sage's 2014-15 lecture series, which included visits from emerging and award-winning visual artists, sculptors, and interior designers from around state and Capital District.

The 36-year-old Kemp currently lives in Troy, but grew up in rural Wisconsin, where she said she got her inspiration. Living in such a small out-of-the-way town, she said her parents steered her away from television and towards the outdoors.

"I spent time outdoors making my entertainment outdoors," said Kemp, which inspired her to include natural themes

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"Pressing" Gouache on paper, 30 x 20 in, 2013.

Photos by Jenny Kemp



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■ LIVE MUSIC

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Live music lovers rejoice with the start of festival season

Warm summer days and live music are intrinsically connected to one another, so as the days heat up so does news of upcoming music festivals in the Capital District.

Albany just recently announced the line up to the city's annual Alive at Five schedule, only a few weeks after Schenectady did the same for its equivalent, Jazz on Jay. Soon to follow will be Troy, as they gear up for their free music series off the riverfront.

Festival season unofficially kicks off with Memorial Day, and *Spotlight News* is preparing a list of festivals and venues that should be of interest to you, should you enjoy heading outdoors and enjoying what the Capital District has to offer for live music.

Nearly every community has something prepared for live entertainment this summer, from Albany up to the Adirondacks, and from Schenectady on through to the Berkshires.

Let's not forget to mention the great everyday venues where you can sit down, have a meal, and listen as you socialize with friends.

Pay attention to our upcoming editions for more information.

— Michael Hallisey



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The traditional two-week residency for the New York City Ballet is back this season after several years. The dancing troupe is also scheduled for another visit to accompany The Philadelphia Orchestra in August. There will be plenty of entertainment for fans of dancing and music this summer in Saratoga.

Photo submitted

ARTS

An extended visit for NYC ballet

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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Saratoga continues to be Upstate's capital for the fine arts during the summer months, thanks in large part to the Saratoga Performing Arts Center (SPAC).

From the middle of June to the end of August, SPAC has a full slate of visiting performers revered throughout the world. This year, the line-up includes a two-day visit from The National Ballet of China in July. The dance company's jaunt to the Spa City marks only one of three stops throughout the United States.

"The company is distinguished by its spectacular performances of imaginative new ballets and phenomenal interpretations of

traditional masterworks from the classical repertoire," stated Marcia J. White, SPAC's president and executive director, through a recent press release. "It's unique style, imbuing characteristics of its Russian training and techniques picked up from Western counterparts with a distinctly Chinese flair, presents an unforgettable spectacle to its audiences. The National Ballet of China's engagement at SPAC this year is a landmark occasion for SPAC and the Capital Region community to enjoy."

The company was founded in 1959, and is widely known in the United States as the dance company that performed for President Richard Nixon while on his visit to China in 1972.

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Aug. 9 - 25, 2015

the Far East immediately follows the summer residency of the New York City Ballet.

The renowned troupe continues its decades-long relationship with SPAC. Its visits have been cut short in recent years, due to budgetary issues for both the ballet and SPAC, said SPAC Communications Associate Justin Smith. This year, however, the New York City Ballet will perform for two weeks, starting July 7.

And, from Saratoga's longest lasting residencies to its newest, The Chamber Music Society of Lincoln Center (CMS) returns after last year's successful debut.

CMS Artistic Directors David Finckel and Wu Han will orchestrate six different programs from August 9 to August 25, highlighting the works of Mozart, Hummel, Dvorak, Beethoven, Strauss, Mendelssohn and more.

The chamber music shares the August calendar with The Philadelphia Orchestra.

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FASHION

Long days, shorts season

Style your outfits with shorts to keep cool

By **DENISE BENNETT**
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Ah, summertime. The hotter temperatures will be here before you know it.

Scratch that, it is already 75 degrees and May.

So what will you be wearing to keep your stylish cool? My best guess is shorts. So let's explore how we can wear these hot weather necessities.

For the longest time I stayed away from these beguiling items. It was primarily my fault, as I couldn't find a fit or style that was flattering. That was, until I found the bermuda style. I know what you're thinking: these garments are for people in

their back yards, holding a garden hose and watering their lilacs (how did you know that's me?). I ask you to think differently. I ask you to look at these shorts with fresh eyes. They are flattering; they have a longer leg to give you coverage and confidence. They come in many different constructions these days; denim, cotton blends and synthetics. The Bermuda length, if you're unfamiliar, hits just above the knee. For women, traditionally they are a tighter leg whereas the men's style has a baggy leg opening. So how can you style these essentials? With everything!

Take a plain tee shirt you have in your drawer. Put it on with your shorts and just tuck the front in. This edgier dressing is chic and cool. Add some accessories, such as

oversized sunglasses and a sunhat, and you can hit the BBQ with comfort and style. If you're not into tucking, find a tunic length shirt and grab a belt. Fasten the belt around your waist and pull the tunic's material up, creating a blouson effect. This is very bohemian chic and can take you from coffee to festival. Add some beaded necklaces, gladiator shoes and you have the look nailed. But what if this isn't you? What if you're more proper and pristine? Take your white button down and tuck it all the way into the short. If you're wearing denim bermudas, your white button down will look extra crisp if you tie a red scarf around your neck. How nautical? Add a boat shoe and you can convince anyone you sail part time. Depending on where you work, treating the Bermuda like a trouser



may be acceptable during the summer months. Take the white button down or any collared shirt and add a blazer with the short to create a suit. This especially looks chic when the blazer and short are linen. For your shoe, I'd suggest a wedge or something that keeps it looking sophisticated.

What's integral to styling the bermuda short is fabrication and color. You can take denim from morning to night as long as it is without rips and tears and preferably a

dark wash. I don't suggest wearing acid wash styles or anything with holes to the office or a gathering. Way too casual and messy. What I am a proponent of is color popping. I love to dress with one item of clothing as the main attraction, so to speak. When I selected my bermudas, I made sure I got a pair in bright fuchsia. Why? I plan on wearing this with tank tops of brown, black and navy. How bright and bold are those shorts going to be? Add a scarf of a more muted color pink and the

look is cohesive.

Enjoy your shorts and treat them as you would a good pair of pants or jeans. Just because they are cut off at the knee doesn't mean they deserve a casual approach to style. Dress them up or down, depending on your event and style. The summer is about having fun. Let these shorts move you in that direction.

Denise Bennett maintains a fashion blog on Perfect20.co, and is a regular contributor to Spotlightnews on Living.



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CULINARY ARTS

Food & Wine

Crab Cakes and Tartar Sauce

By **ANN LINDA CIOTOLI**

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Crab Cakes

1 egg

1/4 cup mayonnaise (I use Hellmann's)

1 Tbs. Dijon mustard

1 1/2 tsp. Old Bay seasoning

Fresh squeezed lemon juice

1 tsp. Worcestershire sauce

1 cup breadcrumbs (I use Panko) plus some to dredge the crab cakes

1 Tbs. chopped fresh flat leaf parsley

Olive Oil (3 Tbs.) or more as needed

Pinch of Kosher salt

1 lb. jumbo lump crabmeat (I use fresh)

Lemon wedges for serving

Tartar Sauce

1 cup of mayonnaise

1 1/2 Tbs. of sweet pickle relish

1 tsp. Dijon mustard

1 Tbs. chopped red onion

1-2 Tbs. fresh lemon juice

Salt and fresh ground black pepper to taste

Instructions:

Put the crabmeat in a medium bowl

In a small bowl whisk the egg, mayo, mustard, Old Bay, lemon juice, and Worcestershire sauce

Pour over the crabmeat and add breadcrumbs and parsley

Add a pinch of salt

Mix together, but do not overwork

Form into 8 cakes and dredge each in breadcrumbs

Heat olive oil in a skillet

Add the crab cakes - I usually do 4 at a time

Cook until golden brown (about 4-5 minutes)

Flip and continue cooking an additional 4-5 minutes

Serve with lemon wedges to squeeze on the crab cakes

Mix the cakes in with the tartar sauce, cover and chill until ready to serve

Wine Paring:

Chardonnay pairs well with crab cakes because the full body of the wine matches the richness of the crab. The wine needs to be fruit forward and mildly oaked.

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Robert Mondavi Private Selection Pinot Grigio - California - is also very good because it is fruit forward with aromas of ripe pear, peach, and vanilla. It has tastes of pear and tart lemon.

Ann Linda Ciotoli owns the catering business Good Enough To Eat, and is an expert at pairing wines with meals. For questions and information, Ciotoli can be reached by email at sodeliciousalc@yahoo.com



Dancing with ginger

Creo's new executive chef has a fondness for Asian cuisine

By **MICHAEL HALLISEY**
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ALBANY — Every artist has a signature style that distinguishes himself from his peers.

To the writer, it's her voice; whereas, to the painter it's his use of paint strokes, and to the composer, a habitual manipulation of cadence and a series of musical notes.

For Creo's Executive Chef Eric Sell, his style is apparent through his love of ginger.

The 35-year-old culinary artist was born in Chicago. Hailing from the meatpacking capital of the world would lead one to assume beef to be his tool of choice, but he didn't stay in the Windy City for long. With his father working for a prominent cell phone manufacturer, a



Creo's Executive Chef Eric Sell works with a line chef to prepare meals from the restaurant's new menu.

Photos by Michael Hallisey/Spotlight

young Sell spent much of his formidable years in the Far East, where he developed a fondness for Thai food.

Scallions, garlic and ginger make-up the Holy Trinity of Asian cuisine, and though it was not so much a conscious effort on his part to include the root so frequently in his own dishes, Sell said it was something he only recently discovered about himself while

preparing Creo's newest menu.

"Everyone develops a signature," said Sell. "It changes for chefs more often because we have more ingredients going on. I see chefs will cling to things from time to time, and it sometimes doesn't seem obvious to yourself. I've noticed it. I love ginger, and

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FINANCE

Saving for college

By **MARK KANTROWITZ**
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It has never been more important for parents to save for their children's college education. By the time children born this year are ready to enroll in college, college costs will have tripled. Government grants have not been keeping pace with increases in college costs, shifting the burden of paying from college from the federal and state governments to students and their families.

Since family income has been flat, this forces students to shift their enrollment from higher-cost colleges to lower-cost colleges and to graduate with thousands of dollars of additional debt. Saving for college is the only

reliable way of reducing student loan debt and ensuring that college remains affordable.

It is also cheaper to save than to borrow. Every dollar saved is about a dollar less borrowed. Every dollar borrowed will cost about two dollars by the time the debt is repaid. About two-thirds of the states offer a state income tax deduction or tax credit on contributions to the state's 529 college savings plan, which can be like getting a discount on tuition. So, saving for college will save you money.

Saving for college should parallel the different stages of a child's progression through the elementary and secondary education system. The stock market will experience a correction (a drop of 10% or more) two or three times over any 17-year period. One of the most effective ways of managing the risk of loss is to gradually shift the student's college savings funds to a more conservative mix of investments as college approaches.

The shifts in a college savings plan's asset allocations can be triggered by the changes in the child's education and other major life-cycle events.

Birth is the best time to start saving for college. Time is the parent's greatest asset. If the parents start saving from birth, about one third of the college savings goal will come from the earnings. If the parents wait until high school to start saving, they'll have to save six times as much per month to reach the same college savings goal, and less than 10% of the savings goal will come from earnings.

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From page B1 ... Nature and MTV

in her artwork. However, when the opportunity came up at a friend's house, she would watch television obsessively, she said.

When one student asked Kemp what shows would draw her attention, she said that she mostly remembered pop-art style cartoons and MTV animations.

Some of her work "feels like it's very much like the MTV generation, like the crazy graphics that MTV would have," the student said.

Kemp said she tried to include natural themes, as well as her "obsession" with design into her paintings. "I think my work kind of encompasses both those worlds. Nature and appreciation and fascination for natural realms, but also an obsession with design and aesthetics and how those things can communicate," she told the Sage students.

After her undergraduate studies in the University of Wisconsin, Kemp lived in Seattle before moving to Albany to receive her Master of Fine Arts at the University of Albany, where she graduated from in 2012. There, she said she expanded her work to study the relationship of the human form with nature, largely drawing inspiration from her move across the country and the awkwardness of being in an unfamiliar place.

On top of being featured galleries and show across the United States, from Seattle to Albany County, Kemp has been named as one of "10 Painters Who Are Changing Their Medium in the 21st Century" by *Huffington Post*. She was also featured in the "100 Painters of Tomorrow" project by London-based curator Kurt Beers. Just last year, her work was shown at the Albany International Airport in the "Second Nature" show.

Currently, Kemp said she is working on a series studying lines and color, specifically colors that draw a viewer's eye, and inventing "different ways of creating space." Kemp showed students her more recent work that showed dozens of lines on top

of bright color. When painting, she said she often looks more at the space between a line rather than the line itself.

When asked what she uses for her work, Kemp said that she tries to use a color only once in a painting and does every line by hand after sketching a design on a separate page.

"That's important," she said. "My work is all about doing it by hand," with no paint rollers or guidance. She said that, for larger paintings, she spends anywhere from 20 to 30 hours working on a piece, and 10 to 15 on smaller pieces.

However, Kemp said that, like most artists, she sometimes hits a wall with

her work, which recently spurred her to delve into animation with the help of Photoshop. In her last year of graduate school, Kemp said that she began making short animations where she takes one small piece of her painting and explores how it looks three-dimensionally.

While the animations were meant to push her painting further, she said she became interested to do more animations to further study her interest in space and shape. The videos, set to music by local artists, can be found on her website along with images of her paintings and information on current and past gallery exhibitions.

For more information on Kemp's work, go to www.jennykemp.net. For more information on the Opalka Gallery at Sage of Albany, go to www.sage.edu/opalka.



"Concentricity4" Gouache on paper, 20 x 30 in, 2012.

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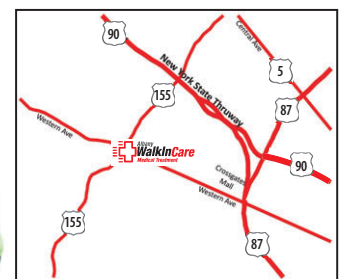
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Vanya and Sonia and Masha and Spike

Tony Award-winning comedy about a movie star who brings her boyfriend home to meet her family. Presented by Curtain Call Theatre, 210 Old Loudon Road, Latham. May 22 through June 27. Shows: Thursdays 7:30 p.m., Fridays and Saturdays 8 p.m., Sundays 3 p.m. Tickets: \$24. Information: 877-7529 or www.curtaincalltheatre.com.

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Alan Foster

Indie singer-songwriter

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performs his original songs and select covers. May 22, 7 p.m., 16 Handles, 380 Route 9W, Glenmont. Free. Information: 433-1616.

Jason Isbell
Former lead singer of Drive-By Truckers touring in support of his latest solo album. With opening act Craig Finn. May 22, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$34.50-\$39.50. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

Melissa Clark
Acoustic guitarist and singer-songwriter. May 23, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100 or www.ebalbany.com.

Buffy Sainte-Marie
Folk music icon and award-winning singer-songwriter celebrates the release of her new CD, "Power in the Blood." With special guest Samantha Crain. May 23, 7:30 p.m., Eighth Step at Proctors (GE Theatre), 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: general admission \$35, Gold Circle \$60, Cloud Club \$25. Information: 434-1703 or 8thstep.org.

Classic Vinyl Flashback
Featuring tributes to Bad Company and Journey. May 23, 8 p.m., The Egg, Empire State Plaza, Albany. Tickets: \$26.25-\$31.25. Information: 473-1845 or www.theegg.org.

Corazon
Cello and guitar duo. May 24, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100 or www.ebalbany.com.

Steve Forbert
Folk-rock singer-songwriter best known for "Romeo's Tune" and "Goin' Down to Laurel." May 28, 8 p.m., Club Helsinki, 405 Columbia St., Hudson. Information: 828-4800 or helsinkihudson.com.

Brian Murphy
Acoustic show featuring

originals off his latest record and covers from James Taylor to the Plain White T's. May 29, 7 p.m., 16 Handles, 380 Route 9W, Glenmont. Free. Information: 433-1616.

Rick Sacchetti and The Anonymous Figg Leafs
Original folk/country/rock songs and classic covers. May 29, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100 or www.ebalbany.com.

Tommy Sands Journey of a Songman
A one-man evening of song, story and images from Northern Ireland. May 29, 7:30 p.m., Eighth Step at Proctors (GE Theatre), 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$27-\$50. Information: 346-6204, 434-1703 or proctors.org.

'Greetings from Rock n Roll USA'
A tribute concert to American rock and roll of the 1950s, 60s and 70s starring Brian McCullough as Roy Orbison and featuring Joey Pucci and The American Longboards.

May 30, 3:30 p.m., GE Theatre at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: \$40. Information: 346-6204 or proctors.org.

Andy Baker
Acoustic covers and originals. May 30, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100 or www.ebalbany.com.

Uday Bhawalkar
Dhrupad classical vocalist brings the North Indian music tradition to the stage. May 30, 8 p.m., The Arts Center of the Capital Region, 265 River St., Troy. Tickets: \$10. Information: 273-0038 or troymusichall.org.

Pete Furlong and Sarah Puig
Singer-songwriter. May 31, 7 p.m., Emack and Bolio's, 366 Delaware Ave., Albany. Free. Information: 512-5100 or www.ebalbany.com.

'Song for the Earth'
A benefit show for the Hawthorne Valley School featuring Blue Ribbon Trio and Patchwork Symphony. May 31, 7 p.m., Club Helsinki, 405 Columbia St., Hudson.

Information: 828-4800 or helsinkihudson.com.

'Down with Rent'
The anti-rent rebellion in New York portrayed in song and stories by local musicians in period costumes. June 2, 7:30 p.m., Old Songs Community Center, 37 South Main St., Voorheesville. Tickets: \$10 for non New Scotland Historical Association members; donations are welcome. Information: 765-4212.

DANCE

Susan Sanford's School of Dance
Celebrating its 25th anniversary with "Blast from the Past," featuring replicas of some of the company's favorite routines, and a performance by All That, which has performed on "America's Got Talent." May 22, 6 p.m., The Mainstage at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Tickets: adults \$19, children \$16.50.

Albany Dance Sport
Spring ballroom dance includes a free group lesson prior to the start of the dance and a mid-event showcase featuring Hershell Allen and Wendy Hill. May 24, 6:15 p.m., Polish Community Center, 225 Washington Ave. Extension, Albany. Tickets: adults \$10, students \$5.

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FILM

The First Line

First official screening of movie starring Pantelis Kodigoannis. May 21, 5:30 p.m., GE Theatre at Proctors, 432 State St., Schenectady. Semi-formal welcome reception, followed by the screening and post-movie question and answer session. Tickets: \$45. Information: 346-6204 or proctors.org.

POETRY

Barbara Ungar

English professor at The College of Saint Rose and published author reads from her works. May 21, 7:30 p.m., Social Justice Center, 33 Central Ave., Albany. Open mic to follow. Tickets: \$3. Information: 482-0262 or email dwlxc@earthlink.net.

COMEDY

Mop and Bucket Company

"Spontaneous Broadway," an evening of improvised comedy and songs. May 22, 8 p.m., Proctors Underground, 432 State St., Schenectady. Information: 346-6204 or www.proctors.org.

Comedy's Best Kept Secret Tour

Featuring Dan Frigolette, Simeon Goodson, John Saponaro and Angela Cobb. May 29, 9 p.m., The Parting Glass, 40 Lake Ave., Saratoga Springs. Tickets: \$15. Information: www.ComedysBestKeptSecret.com.

EXHIBITS

Albany Institute of History and Art

"Triple Play: Baseball at the Albany Institute," featuring three exhibits about America's pastime and the sport's connection to the Capital District, through July 26; plus "Ancient Egyptian Galleries" and "The Hudson River School

and the Nineteenth-Century Landscape." 125 Washington Ave., Albany. Information: 463-4478 or albanyinstitute.org.

Mabee Farm Historic Site

"Visualizing the Lexicon of a Loving Hand," featuring works by Brennan Goodwin and Jackie Zysk. Opening May 22. 1100 Main St., Rotterdam Junction. Information: 887-5073 or schenectadyhistorical.org.

miSci

"Making Sense of Sound," a hands-on exhibit from San Francisco's Exploratorium. Through June. Nott Terrace Heights, Schenectady. Information: 382-7890 or www.miSci.org.

National Museum of Dance

"125 Years of Tango — A Walk through the History of the Dance," featuring costumes, music, artifacts, rare film footage and historical materials of the origins of this famous dance. Through March 2016. 99 South Broadway, Saratoga Springs. Information: 584-2225 or www.dancemuseum.org.

New York State Museum

"Binghamton University Paleobotany Collection" and "The Passenger Pigeon: From Billions to Zero." Empire State Plaza, 222 Madison Ave., Albany. Information: 474-5877 or www.nysm.nysed.gov.

Saratoga Auto Museum

Dino Petrocelli exhibit featuring the work of the highly-regarded automotive photographer. Through June. 110 Avenue of the Pines, Saratoga Spa State Park, Saratoga Springs. Information: saratogaautomuseum.org.

Saratoga Springs History Museum

"Mapping A City: Saratoga Springs as Seen Through 250 Years of Maps," through Dec. 31. Canfield Casino, Congress Park, Saratoga

Springs. Information: 584-6920 or www.saratogahistory.org.

Tang Teaching Museum

"Nicholas Kruschenick: Electric Soup," through Aug. 16. Skidmore College, Saratoga Springs. Information: 580-8080 or www.skidmore.edu/tang.

CALL FOR ARTISTS

The Cue Theatre

Holding auditions for its summer production of "Disney's High School Musical," May 21, 5:30 p.m., 339 Delaware Ave., Bethlehem. Prepare 16 bars of music from a Broadway musical. Bring sheet music; an accompanist will be provided. Please come prepared to dance. Tuition for this production is \$185, but the theater will not turn away any student for inability to pay tuition. Information: email Suzie Dunn at thecuetheatre@gmail.com.

The Hyde Collection

Seeking album covers from 1973-87 for upcoming community exhibit, "Can You Dig It?" The exhibit celebrating the art of music coincides with the Hyde's major summer exhibition, "The Late Drawings of Andy Warhol: 1973-87." Submissions taken through May 29, and all album covers will be returned after Sept. 30. Information: Evi Fisher, 792-1761, ext. 327 or email efisher@hydecollection.org.

Schenectady Civic Players

Holding open auditions for "Dracula" by Steven Dietz, June 2 and 4, 7:30 p.m., Schenectady Civic Playhouse, 12 South Church St., Schenectady. Roles for five men (20s through 40s) and two women (20s through 30s), plus four male/female (with basic dance and movement skills) to play various roles throughout the show. Information: 382-2081 or www.civicplayers.org.



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EDUCATION

Exploring space locally

Challenger Learning Center opens at miSci

SCENECTADY — The region's science center is expanding its offerings again - adding missions to space - as miSci, the Museum of Innovation and Science, opens the Challenger Learning Center, a hands-on science, technology, engineering and math (STEM) experience, in a completely renovated wing of the science center.

"We are excited to see the opening of the Challenger Learning Center at miSci. miSci continues to grow as a powerful and unique educational resource for Schenectady," said Mayor Gary McCarthy. "This attraction joins the many great Schenectady destinations such as Proctors, Schenectady Light Opera Company, and more, that draw visitors from throughout

the Capital Region and beyond."

The presence of the Challenger Learning Center at miSci, the region's award-winning STEM resource, will draw more visitors from throughout the region, eastern Massachusetts, southern Vermont, and areas north to the Canadian border and is another sign of Schenectady's revitalization.

"For several years, Schenectady leaders and local supporters worked tirelessly to open the doors of this local Challenger Learning Center. This type of passion and determination are characteristics of a community committed to education and the success of its students," said Dr. Lance Bush, president and CEO, Challenger Center. "We are thrilled to welcome the Challenger Learning Center at miSci to our network of global

Challenger Learning Centers."

Based on NASA astronaut training, the Challenger Learning Center of the Capital Region at miSci allows participants to be part of a crew of engineers and scientists in simulated space missions in an innovative learning environment. Students become part of a team performing the mission - essential tasks that astronauts, scientists, and engineers execute for mission success. They work onboard the spacecraft to conduct critical experiments and activities and in mission control to monitor and guide the spacecraft crew.

"The Museum of Innovation and Science in Schenectady has been an invaluable institution in our community for more than 80 years and the new Challenger Learning Center is an exciting addition. This

will be a unique learning experience that ensures the museum continues to be a regional destination for hands-on learning that is both interesting and fun for children," said Assemblyman Angelo Santabarbara. "With my background in engineering, I am a proud advocate for the STEM principles promoted by the Challenger Learning Center, and I remain committed to my strong partnership with miSci as they continue to enrich the lives of families and children across the region."

Missions rely on active teamwork, critical thinking, and inquiry-based problem solving. In addition to being a refreshing departure from classroom lessons, missions are Standards, Next Generation Science Standards (NGSS) and Common Core aligned. "Capital Region BOCES

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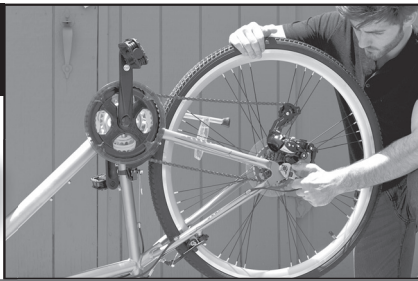
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Eric Sell is classically trained in French cuisine, and well versed with Asian-theme meals thanks to a childhood spent in the Far East. The executive chef admits he sees a lot of the ginger root appearing throughout the restaurant's new menu, winch launched on May 14. Nevertheless, frequent visitors will also recognize a few favorites that will continue to be served.

Photo by Michael Hallisey/Spotlight

From page B7 ... Dancing with ginger

ginger is all over this menu." It's something Sell only noticed since making the jump to executive chef, and being more on hand with the logistics behind preparing the menu.

Sell, the former Executive Chef for Javier's in Saratoga Springs, has been working as the Sous Chef at Creo' for almost a year. Prior to moving to the Capital Region, Sell gained an impressive background working at New York City-based restaurants such as Le Gamin, No. 7, and Tocqueville. He brings a fresh perspective to the seven-year-old restaurant, using his experience creating consistent new menus with an emphasis on sustainable and responsible ingredients.

"I'm excited about my new role at Creo' Restaurant," said Sell. "I respect the vision that's already in place, including the importance of farm-to-table, but I'm ready to take the restaurant in a new direction. I think the new spring/summer menu will be a great refresh and I'm excited for the Capital Region to get a taste."

Creo's new menu will be available to the public during its launch event on May 14 from 5 to 10 p.m. Empire Merchants North will be onsite throughout the evening, and a new line of Captain Morgan flavored rums will be on special throughout the night. Guests will get to try new dishes such as Monk fish with snow peas, cantaloupe puree

and ginger chic pea salad; Baked eggplant topped with kale slaw; Grilled Ahi tuna sautéed with baby bok choy, baby carrots and cashews with ginger and garlic.

"The introduction of the new menu is one of my favorite occasions at Creo'," said Brian White, Vice President of White Management. "The creation of new dishes with new, ripe ingredients is something unique to our restaurant, and with Chef Sell's fresh spin I think our customers are going to be really pleased."

Customer favorites, like the Creo' burger and Kung pao calamari, will remain on the new menu. Those who are interested in making a reservation are encouraged to visit CreoRestaurant.com or call the restaurant at 482-8000.

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From page B8 ... Saving for college

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college savings plans have age-based asset allocations, like target date retirement funds, that start off with 80 percent invested in stocks or mutual funds. The remaining money is invested in conservative

investments where there is no risk of loss to principal, locking in the gains.

Parents should also manage risk through diversification, such as investing in broad-based index funds instead of individual stocks and bonds.

Parents should also make the saving automatic, by setting up automatic monthly transfers from a bank account to the college savings plan. This gives the added benefit of dollar-cost averaging, a way of hedging against risks associated with trying to time the market.

When the child enters first grade, around age 6, the asset allocation shifts to 60 percent stocks, 40 percent conservative investments.

When the child enters junior high, around age 12, the asset allocation shifts to 40 percent stocks, 60 percent conservative investments.

Two years before the child enrolls in college, around age 15 (prior to January 1 of the junior year in high school), the college savings plan at 20 percent invested in stocks.

Life-cycle events can also be used to trigger increases in the amount saved per month.

When the child no longer needs diapers, formula or daycare, the money that would have been spent on these expenses can be redirected at the child's college savings plan.

Instead of giving tangible toys on birthdays and holidays, ask friends and family to give the gift of college through a contribution to the child's college savings plan. Such contributions will have a more long-lasting benefit than trinkets that are abandoned after a few weeks. If relatives insist on giving gifts, the parents could save the packaging and sell the gift on eBay or Craigslist when the child gets bored with the gift.

Parents can increase the amount saved per month when they get a raise or other salary increase.

Parents should make one-time contributions whenever they receive a windfall, such as a bonus, inheritance, big income tax refund or a winning lottery ticket.

Rebating programs like Uppromise can also be used to supplement the savings.

The overall goal of a college savings plan is to minimize the impact on income taxes and financial aid while maximizing the returns. Minimizing fees is the key to maximizing returns. When the child is young, minimizing the fees matters more than choosing a college savings plan that offers a state income tax deduction or tax credit.

Account ownership affects the impact on eligibility for need-based financial aid. 529 college savings plans that are owned by a dependent student or the dependent student's parent will have a much smaller impact on aid eligibility than grandparent-owned 529 plans.

Mark Kantrowitz is Senior VP and Publisher of Edvisors.com, a free comprehensive web site about planning and paying for college. He is also co-author of the bestselling book, "Filing the FAFSA."

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529 plan

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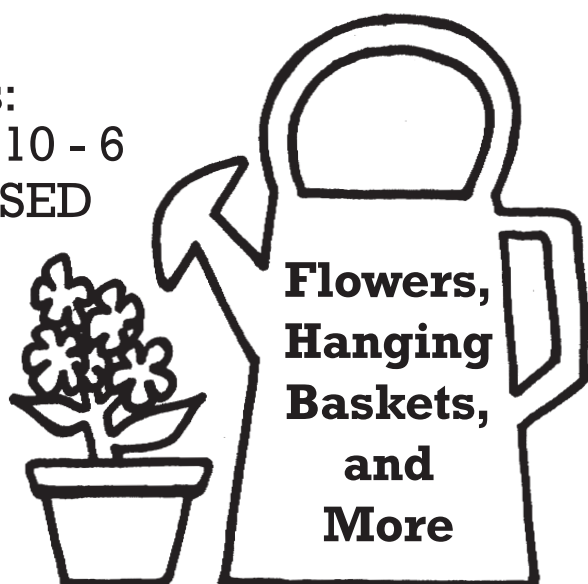
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From page B13 ... Exploring space locally

is pleased to be a partner in the Challenger Learning Center at miSci. We see the CLC as a tremendous opportunity to bring STEM education to children of all ages in a highly engaging, project-based learning format.

The more we can expose the students to STEM at an early age, the more opportunity they will have to follow an education path toward more STEM classes and hopefully a STEM career," said Charles S. Dedrick, Ed. D., CEO and district superintendent, Capital Region BOCES.

The first school missions begin May 18 with a class of sixth grade students from Lincoln Elementary School in Schenectady. Before the end of the school year, sixth grade students from all schools in the Schenectady City School District will visit miSci for a Challenger Learning Center mission, a planetarium show, and more STEM-related activities with a chance to

explore all of the science center's interactive exhibits. Funding for the district's sixth grade student Challenger Learning Center missions has been provided in part by a \$125,000 grant from The Schenectady Foundation.

"We are pleased and excited about the launch of the Challenger Learning Center, especially since it is right here in our backyard. This presents a great opportunity for our students as it provides additional exposure to science, technology, engineering and math and provides unique opportunities for teaching and learning. We are extremely grateful that Schenectady students have the opportunity to participate in this exciting program," said Larry Spring, superintendent of the Schenectady City School District.

Opening the Challenger Learning Center is the most recent move for the region's dynamic science center. This

initiative follows a recent planetarium renovation involving new seats and carpeting and a new projector that provides a more immersive experience and precedes the installation next month of "Earth Exposed: Discover Our Planet's Hidden Secrets" from San Francisco's Exploratorium.

The new Challenger Learning Center occupies 2,500 square feet and is comprised of four distinct areas: a briefing room, mission control, a transporter, and a space station. The Challenger Learning Center board established a connection with Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute's School of Architecture Associate Dean Mark Mistur to design the project; community philanthropist and miSci benefactor Neil Golub established a partnership between miSci and Rensselaer School of Architecture. Construction, which started in December 2014, was completed by Duncan and Cahill, Inc. of Troy.

"As the region's preeminent science center, miSci is proud to add the Challenger Learning

Center of the Capital Region and simulated space missions to our existing high quality STEM programming," said miSci President Dr. Mac Sudduth. "We follow in the footsteps of the brave astronauts of the Challenger as we work every day to inspire Capital Region students and get them to dream of bigger things for themselves and the world around us. The community leaders who brought the CLC to fruition - especially the Golub and Apkarian families - should be applauded for leading the way to bring the CLC to miSci and for helping many future generations have these opportunities."

The Challenger Learning Center was completed under the direction of Sudduth, through the dedication of the Challenger Learning Center of the Greater Capital Region Board of Directors and miSci Board of Trustees, and through the leadership and generosity of Golub, executive chairman of the board, Price Chopper Supermarkets.

"Jane and I are delighted to see the

Challenger Learning Center come to fruition at miSci. It has been a long time coming but we have made Schenectady a center for STEM education for students throughout Upstate New York and beyond. miSci and CLC are another cornerstone piece in the revitalization of Schenectady and we're proud to have played a part in this really neat achievement," said Golub.

Major funders for the Challenger Learning Center include Neil and Jane Golub, The Community Foundation for the Greater Capital Region, Betty and David Apkarian and Friends, The Schenectady Foundation, George Hearst and the Times Union, Fenimore Asset Management, and the Wright Family Foundation.

"Congratulations to Neil Golub and the team at miSci on the opening of the Challenger Learning Center. This will be a great new attraction in downtown Schenectady," said Ray Gillen, chair of the Schenectady County Metroplex Development Authority.

Additional support was

provided by the New York State Senate through the efforts of Senator Hugh T. Farley and through a consolidated funding application grant from the State of New York. Farley said, "I was pleased to be an early supporter of the effort to bring a Challenger Learning Center to Schenectady, and was able to obtain two state grants to help secure the necessary charter and undertake the necessary plans and studies. The Challenger Learning Center will offer a valuable and exciting learning experience for children. It will be a tremendous asset to Schenectady and the Capital Region, and it will also supplement and enhance the Museum of Innovation and Science, which is a treasured institution in the region."

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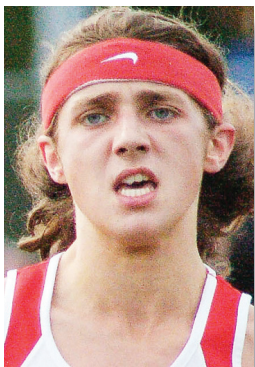
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■ PLAYER OF THE WEEK



NOAH CAREY

Guilderland's Noah Carey is the Spotlight Player of the Week for the period ending Sunday, May 17. The sophomore won the boys 3,200-meter race at the Eddy Meet Saturday, May 16, at Schenectady High School. Carey finished with a time of 9:24.84 for his first Eddy Meet victory.

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If you have a high school athlete you'd like to nominate for our Player of the Week, please e-mail Sports Editor Rob Jonas at jonasr@spotlightnews.com.

■ IN BRIEF



Blackbirds fall

With a 6-3 Colonial Council loss to Fonda Friday, May 15, the Voorheesville baseball team dropped to 9-7 in the league and the No. 15 seed for the Section 2 Class B playoffs.

■ BETHLEHEM

Big blast for BC

Olivia Miranda's solo home run gives
Lady Eagles victory over Colonie

By **ROB JONAS**
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BETHLEHEM — The Bethlehem softball team did everything it could to make the Section 2 Class AA playoffs.

The defending Sectional champs edged Colonie 2-1 Friday, May 15, to finish the regular season with a 7-9 Suburban Council record and a 10-10 overall mark.

"Colonie beat us by one run in the bottom of the seventh inning the first time we played them, so it feels good to be on this side of the scoreboard," said Bethlehem coach Karen Gentile.

Bethlehem filed a petition to be included in the playoffs, despite not finishing with a .500 league record. The petition was heard at Monday's Sectional seeding meeting.

Friday's game mirrored how Bethlehem's season went. Colonie took a 1-0 lead on Lexie Szesnat's home run in the top of the sixth inning, but Bethlehem rallied for a run in its half of the frame and won the game on Olivia Miranda's fourth home run of the season in the bottom of the seventh.

"Three of Olivia's four home runs have come against Colonie," said Gentile.

Bethlehem pitcher Emma Downing scattered six hits in a complete-game performance to earn the win.

Girls lacrosse

The Bethlehem girls lacrosse team received the No. 4 seed and a home playoff game in the Section 2 Class A tournament when playoff

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▲ Bethlehem second baseman Emma DeFrancesco catches a pop fly during a Suburban Council game against Colonie Friday, May 15, in Bethlehem. The Lady Eagles pulled out a 2-1 victory over the Garnet Raiders in their final regular season game.

◀ Bethlehem's Emma Downing makes contact with the ball during the bottom of the first inning.

Rob Jonas/Spotlight



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Big blast for BC

pairings were announced Saturday, May 16.

The Lady Eagles (9-5 league, 10-5 overall) faced No. 5 Shaker in the quarterfinals Monday, May 18. The winner of that game travels to top-seeded Shenendehowa Thursday, May 21, for the semifinals.

Bethlehem has won eight of its last nine games entering Monday's quarterfinal, including a 17-6 victory over Shaker on April 28.

Bethlehem cruised into Sectionals by blasting Colonie 22-4 Thursday, May 14, in its final regular season Suburban Council game. Kaylee Rickert led the way with six goals and five assists, while Emma Cremo contributed four goals and Emilie Tuinstra added a hat trick.

Boys lacrosse

Bethlehem also received a Sectional quarterfinal match-up against Shaker in boys lacrosse, but the seedings and the site were different from the girls.

The Eagles (6-7, 8-8) received the No. 6

seed in the Class A boys tournament and placed against No. 3 Shaker in the quarterfinals Tuesday, May 19. The Blue Bison defeated Bethlehem twice during the regular season, edging the Eagles 14-13 on April 7 and winning 13-7 April 28.

Bethlehem concluded the regular season on a three-game winning streak, capped by a 15-7 victory over Colonie Thursday, May 14. The Eagles used a 5-0 run in the second quarter to pull away.

John Fredette had a nine-point evening with two goals and seven assists, and James MacKrell tallied four times for Bethlehem. Goalender Dan Comber stopped 13 of the 20 shots he faced.

Track and field

Bethlehem's Tedi DeMaria won the girls pole vault at the Eddy Meet Saturday, May 16, at Schenectady High School.

DeMaria cleared the bar at 11 feet, 6 inches, to earn her first Eddy Meet championship. Sachem East's Kerstyn Ciulla was second after she cleared the bar at 11 feet.

Grace Smith was second in the girls high jump for Bethlehem. The senior cleared the bar at 5 feet, 4 inches, two inches shy of the winning mark set by Bay Shore's Ava Goode.

Julia Nugent added a fourth-place finish in the 400-meter intermediate hurdles for the Lady Eagles. Nugent finished with a time of 1:05.21.

On the boys' side, Bethlehem had a fourth-place finish in the 1,600-meter relay, and Simon Powhida finished fourth in the 3,200-meter race. The 1,600 relay team of Andreas Lietzau, Conor Kimmey, Malick Diamonde and Nate Brands posted a time of 3:24.18, while Powhida recorded a time of 9:41.73 in the 3,200.

Bethlehem sent more of its male track athletes to the Schuylerville Classic Friday, May 15.

Chris Davitt and Lucas Culley took the top two places in the 1-mile run for the Eagles. Davitt won the race with a time of 4:40.84, and Culley finished second with a time of 4:41.31.

Jake Davis also earned an individual title for Bethlehem in Schuylerville. Davis won the discus with a throw of 139 feet, 2 inches.

■ GUILDERLAND

Dutch net tennis title

Fedorov leads Guilderland past Niskayuna

By **ROB JONAS**

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GUILDERLAND

— The Guilderland boys tennis team won the Section 2 Class AA title for the third year in a row by edging Niskayuna 5-4 in the finals Thursday, May 14, at Schenectady's Central Park.

The Dutchmen won four of the six singles matches to pull out their 42nd consecutive victory. No. 1 singles player Alex Fedorov defeated Jeffrey Martin 6-1, 6-4 to lead the way for Guilderland. Bill Dong, Salil Chaudhry and Nate Backus also won their singles matches in straight sets.

The No. 2 doubles team of Adam Kronick and Seraj Suresh defeated Niskayuna's Samuel Finn and Adam Schnell 6-4, 6-0 for Guilderland.

The state qualifier for singles and doubles players takes place this week.

Track and field

Noah Carey and Noah Tindale led the way for Guilderland at the Eddy Meet Saturday, May 16, at Schenectady High School.

Carey won the boys 3,200-meter race with a time of 9:24.84, while Tindale set a state record for eighth graders in the 800-meter race with his third-place time of 1:56.28.

On the girls' side, Guilderland's 3,200-meter relay team of Sarah Forman, Jen Hoffman, Emily Bini and Emily Burns won with a time of 9:28.73. Burns also placed fifth in the 3,000-meter race with a time of 10:19.07.

Girls lacrosse

The Guilderland girls lacrosse team received the No. 2 seed for the Section 2 Class A playoffs Saturday, May 16. The Lady Dutch

host the winner of the Saratoga Springs/Colonie quarterfinal game in the semifinals Wednesday, May 20.

Shenendehowa was awarded the top seed after posting a 12-2 Suburban Council record. Guilderland finished 11-3 in the league and 12-4 overall.

Baseball


The Guilderland baseball team wrapped up the Suburban Council South Division title with a 2-0 victory over Mohonasen Friday, May 15.

Pitcher Matt Pierce threw a two-hit shutout, and Nick Grabek doubled for the Dutchmen, who enter the Section 2 Class AA playoffs with a 13-3 league record and a 15-5 overall record.

Softball

The Guilderland softball team closed out the regular season with a 10-1 victory over Mohonasen May 15.

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A large group of people, including children and adults, are running outdoors in a race. Many are wearing white t-shirts with "color dash" printed on them. A man in the foreground is running with his arms raised, and a large cloud of pink powder is being thrown into the air.



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Notice of Qualification of Ferrara Bros., LLC. App. for Auth. filed with Sec'y. of State of NY (SSNY) 4/9/15. Office location: Albany County. LLC formed in Delaware (DE) on 3/30/15. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: 21 Ludlow Drive, Chappaqua, NY 10514. DE address of LLC: c/o Capitol Services, Inc., 1675 South State St., Ste. B, Dover, DE 19901. Cert. of Form. filed with DE Sec'y. of State, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purpose: any lawful act or activity.
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TOWN BOARD TOWN OF BETHLEHEM RESOLUTION TO GRANT EASEMENTS NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York has on the 13 day of May 2015, duly adopted, subject to a permissive referendum, a resolution as follows: WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that is necessary to grant use and access easements to DG Bethlehem Solar, LLC on the Town owned parcel located at 253 Bridge Street in Selkirk, NY; and, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, That the Town Board hereby authorizes the execution of necessary use and access easement at 253 Bridge Street in Selkirk, NY. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the execution of said easements

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is subject to permissive referendum BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Supervisor is hereby authorized to execute the easements on behalf of the Town of Bethlehem. The motion to adopt the resolution was made by Councilman Reinhardt, was seconded by Councilman Sasso and duly adopted by the following vote: AYES: Supervisor Clarkson, Councilwoman Dawson, Councilman Kuhn, Councilman Reinhardt, Councilwoman Sasso NOES: none ABSENT: none DATED: May 13, 2015
Ad#82750

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HARVEY AND SOUTHERLAND, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 11/14/05. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 1971 Western Ave. #1150, Albany, NY 12203. The registered agent is: LYONS MSS, LLC. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities.
Ad#78660

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HAYA MARAKA LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/8/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities.
Ad#79315

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of HMK CONSTRUCTION MANAGEMENT LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/1/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities.
Ad#79586

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FILING OF ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION IN NEW YORK BY A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Name: HTM Construction Services, LLC. Articles of Organization filed with sec. of state of NY(SOS) on 4/6/15. Office location: Albany County. SOS is designated as agent of LLC for service of process. SOS shall mail copy of process to 24 McCulloch Ave, Ravena, NY 13143. Purpose: Any lawful act or activity.
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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of J K Avis LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 3, 2015, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 33 Wade Road, Latham, New York 12110, which is the principal business location of the LLC. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the NYS Limited Liability Company Law.
Ad#79318

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY Articles of Organization of J K Loudon LLC ("LLC") filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on April 3, 2015, effective on the date of filing. Office Location: Albany County. SSNY has been designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY may mail a copy of any process to the LLC at 33 Wade Road, Latham, New York 12110, which is the principal business location of the LLC. The purpose for which the LLC is formed is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which limited liability companies may be organized under the NYS Limited Liability Company Law.
Ad#79317

LEGAL NOTICE

JR Legal LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with Sec'y. of State of NY (SSNY) on 11/20/14. Off. loc.: Albany Co. SSNY des. as agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to the LLC, c/o John Paul Roman, 33 Sound Beach Blvd., Sound Beach, NY 11789. Purpose: General.
Ad#82699

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of K-N-M SALES & MARKETING LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/31/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities.
Ad#79595

LEGAL NOTICE

Kailey Construction LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/04/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 43-28 169th St., Flushing,

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NY 11358. The reg. agt. is Yuri Seo, 164-01 Northern Blvd., Fl. 2, Flushing, NY 11358. General Purposes.
Ad#78650

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Notice of Formation KarmaS Wholesale LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/21/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities.
Ad#80792

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Latham Lodging, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/7/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o LaQuinta, 833 New Loudon Rd, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: all lawful activities.
Ad#78971

LEGAL NOTICE

Lian Development Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/19/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 79-06 Main St., #2K, Flushing, NY 11367. General Purposes.
Ad#78658

LEGAL NOTICE

Lily Pond Ave LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/04/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 313 Sand Ln., Fl. 2, Staten Island, NY 10305. General Purposes.
Ad#78657

LEGAL NOTICE

MANDJ LLC, a domestic LLC, filed with the SSNY on 2/5/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent upon whom process against the LLC may be served. SSNY shall mail process to The LLC, 305 E. 85th St., Apt. 19A, NY, NY 10028. General purpose.
Ad#81687

LEGAL NOTICE

Name: Mauve Umbrella, LLC Date Articles of Organization Filed with NYS: 01/13/2015 Location: Albany County NY Secretary of State is designated as agent upon whom process may be served. NYSS may mail any process to the LLC : Mauve Umbrella, LLC, P.O. Box 13711, Albany NY 12212-3711. Purpose: any lawful act or activities.
Ad#78967

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation New Loudon Lodging, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/7/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o

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LGBTQ Family Storytime at library

The Voorheesville Public Library is pleased to offer LGBTQ Family Story Time on Saturday, May 30, at 10:15 a.m.

This program is intended for LGBTQ



families, allies and supporters with children from infancy to first grade. Come enjoy stories, songs

and activities celebrating the beauty of families. Socialize with each other and check out library books! No registration necessary.

Center Families is an emerging program of the

Pride Center of the Capital District. We are dedicated to helping LGBTQ families in the Capital Region achieve their goals of building and sustaining happy and healthy families.

Early detection matters

Join us on Monday, June 10, at 6:30 p.m., when Erica Salamida, Program Manager from the

Northeastern New York Alzheimer's Association, will discuss the warning signs of Alzheimer's disease. This interactive workshop will present the 10 warning signs of Alzheimer's disease.

— Lynn Kohler

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Travelodge, 831 New Loudon Rd, Latham, NY 12110. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#78972

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of Limited Liability Company Pursuant to Section 206 of the New York Limited Liability Law a. The name of the Limited Liability Company is New Loudon Properties, LLC. b. The Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State on February 12, 2015. c. The office of the Limited Liability Company will be located in Albany County. d. The Secretary of State is designated as agent of the Limited Liability Company upon whom process against it may be served. The address to which the Secretary of State shall mail a copy of any process against the Limited Liability Company served upon him or her is: c/o Stephen Califano 4216 Frederick Road Altamont, New York 12009 e. The Limited Liability Company is formed for any lawful business purpose or purposes. Ad#78918

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of NEW YORK 52 LLC Arts. of Org. filed with Secy. of State of NY (SSNY) on APRIL 21, 2015, office location: Albany Co., NS is designated as agent upon whom process may be served, NS shall mail service of process (SOP) to NW Registered Agent LLC @ 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, NW Registered Agent LLC is designated as agent for SOP at 90 State St STE 700 Office 40, purpose is any lawful purpose. Ad#80657

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of OHD - HVCC LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with NY Secy. of State(SSNY) on April 7, 2015. Office location: Albany County. SSNY is designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: I. David Swawite, 40 Beaver St., Albany NY 12207. Purpose: For any lawful purpose. Ad#78983

LEGAL NOTICE

One Riverside Park Realty, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/20/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process

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may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 2 Rector St., Ste. 1202, NY, NY 10006. General Purposes. Ad#78655

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NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY (LLC). Name: Perry Road Project LLC. Articles of Organization filed with Secretary of State of New York (SSNY) on 3/27/2015. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to: 18 Computer Drive East, Suite 201, Albany, New York 12205. Purposes: to own, develop, construct, rehabilitate, renovate, improve, maintain, finance, manage, operate, lease, sell, convey, assign, mortgage and otherwise deal with and further all aspects of the project related to the real property, located in the Town of Wilton, County of Saratoga, State of New York, among other things, and to engage in any lawful act or activity under the LLCL consistent with the purpose of the Company, and to engage in any other lawful purpose or purposes permitted by the LLCL or the laws of any jurisdiction in which the Company may do business to the extent approved by a majority vote of the Members. Ad#78984

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Notice of Formation of PETALS ON PAGE, LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/8/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79582

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation ProSeal Sealcoating + Property Services LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/21/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o the LLC, 23 Wendell Drive, Albany, NY 12205. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#80791

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RBGS GROUP LLC Articles of Org. filed NY Sec. of State (SSNY) 4/24/2015. Office in Albany Co. SSNY desig. agent of LLC upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to 145 E. 15th St., 8H, NY, NY 10003. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#80800

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION 2015-19 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York has on the 13th day of May, 2015 duly adopted, subject to permissive referendum, a resolution as follows: WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that it is in the public interest of the Town to purchase twenty two acres of land adjacent to S. Bethlehem Park; and WHEREAS, the funds requested are not to exceed \$40,000; and WHEREAS, these funds will be used for property acquisition; and WHEREAS, in recognition of these needs, funds for such purposes are in the Parkland Set Aside Fund; and, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to complete the project as described above; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of the Parkland Set Aside moneys to fund this project up to a maximum amount of \$40,000 and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Comptroller is authorized to expend from the Parkland Set Aside Fund the funds necessary up to \$40,000 in said fund. BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board approves a budget modification for the plan as described above, with an increase to the Parks and Recreation Capital Expenditure line item (110-7120-551-35-11), and a corresponding increase to Planning Board Fee revenue (110-0000-327-21-15), in the amount of \$40,000. This resolution shall be subject to a permissive referendum, as permitted by law. The motion to adopt the resolution was made by Councilman Reinhardt, was seconded by Councilwoman Sasso and duly adopted by the following vote:

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AYES: Supervisor Clarkson, Councilwoman Dawson, Councilman Kuhn, Councilman Reinhardt, Councilwoman Sasso NOES: none ABSENT: none DATED: May 13, 2015 Ad#82732

LEGAL NOTICE

RetireCo of NY LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 03/06/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 41 Lenevar Ave., Staten Island, NY 10309. General Purposes. Ad#78656

LEGAL NOTICE

Rey Management LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/13/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 77 Corbin Pl., Brooklyn, NY 11235. General Purposes. Ad#78654

LEGAL NOTICE

RESOLUTION AND PUBLIC NOTICE NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem in the County of Albany, State of New York has on the 13 day of May 2015, duly adopted, subject to a permissive referendum, a resolution as follows: WHEREAS, the Town Board of the Town of Bethlehem has determined that it is necessary to fund the Salisbury Avenue Watermain Improvements Project in Bethlehem Water District No. 1. WHEREAS, it is estimated that the costs of said work will not exceed \$800,000; and WHEREAS, in recognition of these needs, funds for such purpose are in the Water Fund Capital Reserve Fund; and, NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that it is in the public interest to complete the Salisbury Avenue Watermain Improvements in Bethlehem Water District No. 1, as described above; and BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town Board authorizes the expenditure of additional reserve moneys to fund this project in the amount of \$75,000, which brings the maximum authorized amount to fund the project to \$800,000 and, BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Town

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Comptroller is authorized to expend additional funds from the Water Fund Capital Reserve Fund in the amount of \$75,000; and This resolution shall be subject to a permissive referendum, as permitted by law. The motion to adopt the resolution was made by Councilman Kuhn, was seconded by Councilman Reinhardt and duly adopted by the following vote: AYES: Supervisor Clarkson, Councilwoman Dawson, Councilman Kuhn, Councilman Reinhardt, Councilwoman Sasso NOES: none ABSENT: none DATED: May13, 2015 Ad#82742

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Second Circle Partners LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/13/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. The reg. agent is: Accumera LLC at same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79935

LEGAL NOTICE

SICE Holdings LLC, Art. of Org., filed with the SSNY of 02/17/2015. Office: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of process to the LLC, c/o PO Box 831 Albany, NY 12201. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. Ad#82711

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Sigma Wholesale NY, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/10/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79941

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of STAY RESIDENCES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/10/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA

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Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#82698

LEGAL NOTICE

Sunrise Plaza Homes LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/25/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 11 Sunrise Plz., Ste. 304, Valley Stream, NY 11580. General Purposes. Ad#78653

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Sutton Collective, LLC Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/17/15 Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79936

LEGAL NOTICE

The Property Mommas LLC, Art.of Org. filed with the SSNY on 03/12/15. Office: Albany County, SSNY designated as agent of the LLC, upon whom process against it may be served, SSNY shall mail process to the LLC c/o Veil Corporate, LLC @ 911 Central Ave # 188 Albany, NY 12206. Purpose: any lawful purpose. Ad#78386

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation THERESA B. MARANGAS, PLLC Arts. of Org filed with SSNY on 2/12/2015. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. SSNY designated as agent of PLLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: C/O PLLC, 43 Aspinwall Road, Loudonville, NY 12211. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#80744

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation Traversing Films, LLC Application for Authority filed with SSNY on 4/8/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Cnty. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNC on 6/26/07. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o Accumera LLC, 911 Central Ave., #101, Albany, NY 12206. Address required to be maintained in NC: 472 Flat Creek Dr, Glenville, NC 28736. Name and address of the authorized officer in NC where

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copy of Arts. of Org. is filed: NC Secretary of State, Corp Division, 2 S Salisbury St, Raleigh, NC 27601. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#78969

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of formation of Triple M Management, LLC. Articles of Organization were filed with the Secretary of State of NY (SSNY) on February 20, 2015. Office location: Albany County. SSNY has been designate as agent of the LLC upon whom process against it may be served. SSNY shall mail process served to: The LLC at 230 Delaware Avenue, Delmar, NY 12054. Purpose: any lawful act. Ad#82759

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF FORMATION OF LLC Article of Organization for Harmony Ventures of Albany, LLC was filed with the New York Secretary of State on March 9, 2015. The Principal Office of the Company is located in Albany County. The Secretary of State has been designated as agent upon whom process may be served and a copy of process shall be mailed to Stanley and Lula Tune, 427 W. Lawrence Street, Albany, New York 12207. Purpose: Any lawful purpose. The latest date upon which the Company is required to be dissolved is 1/1/2099. Ad#79435

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of VIRTU PROPERTY GROUP LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 3/31/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79577

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Qual. of VP Fund Services, LLC, Auth. filed Sec'y of State (SSNY) on 3/12/15. Office loc: Albany County. LLC org. in DE 3/6/15. SSNY desig. as agent of LLC upon whom proc. against it may be served. SSNY shall mail copy of proc. to c/o CSC, 80 State St., Albany, NY 12207. DE office addr.: c/o CSC, 2711 Centerville Rd., Wilmington,

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DE 19808. Cert. of Form. on file: SSDE, Townsend Bldg., Dover, DE 19901. Purp: any lawful activities. Ad#79958

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of WESTSIDE DONUT BALDWIN VENTURES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/2/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#79578

LEGAL NOTICE

Notice of Formation of WESTSIDE DONUT ELEMENT VENTURES LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 4/2/15. Office location: Albany County. SSNY designated as agent of LLC whom process against may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: c/o The LLC, 54 State St., #103, Albany, NY 12207. The registered agent is: USA Corporate Services Inc. at the same address. Purpose: all lawful activities. Ad#

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YMO Group LLC. Arts. of Org. filed with SSNY on 02/05/15. Off. Loc.: Albany Co. SSNY desig. as agt. upon whom process may be served. SSNY shall mail process to: The LLC, 55 Driftwood Dr., Port Washington, NY 11050. General Purposes. Ad#78651

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NOTICE OF FORMATION of Limited Liability Company ("LLC") Name: Zoetic Networks LLC Articles of Organization filed with the Secretary of State of New York ("SSNY") on February 23, 2015 Office Location: Albany County. The "SSNY" is designated as agent of the "LLC" upon whom process against it may be served. "SSNY" shall mail a copy of any process to the LLC at: 11 North Pearl Street, Ste. 1412, Albany, New York 12207. Purpose: To engage in any lawful act or activity. Ad#79341

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Celebrating a home

Local Habitat for Humanity celebrates 100th house

By **EMILY DREW**
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ALBANY — Habitat for Humanity Capital District celebrated the completion of its 100th home built in the Albany area early last week.

The house was sold to Sheila Wright, an Albany Medical Center employee, who was given the keys on Tuesday, May 12. The house, located in the Sheridan Hollow neighborhood in the City of Albany, marks the Capital District's

Habitat for Humanity's 100th home built for and sold to a low-income family. It's a milestone in the organization.

"You have a few sights out there, and one of the real benchmarks in Habitat United States is getting to your 100th house," said Habitat for Humanity Capital District Executive Director Mike Jacobson.

The Capital District chapter finished about 50 houses in 2010 and only began building houses in the 1990s. The 100th home "means that over 250 children now have a room to call their own and have a quiet space to study and sleep," Jacobson said in a

released statement.

Habitat for Humanity also built several two-family homes in Albany's Sheridan Hollow neighborhood, which will mean a revitalization for the urban area, said Jacobson. The neighborhood is currently undergoing redevelopment.

County Executive Dan McCoy said that he was happy a neglected playground behind the neighborhood may finally see some use. "Habitat gives back a good feeling to a family who might not have had the chance," he said.

Habitat works with low-income families to provide affordable housing and ensures the payments

remain affordable. Payments are no more than 30 percent of the household's gross monthly income, according to the organization's website. Homeowners are chosen through an application process that determines the applicant's economic and financial criteria. However, applicants must also provide a narrative on their situation, which Jacobson said drew him to Sheila Wright and her family.

"One of the things that really stood out for me is that she demystifies who our hardworking low-income families really are. You don't necessarily associate them working with Albany Medical Center with a white coat on, doing quality work," said Jacobson. Most people, he said, associate low-income with working fast food jobs.

Wright, a single mother of four sons, does administrative work at Albany Medical. While her sons are now older and only two still live at home, Wright said that she faced difficulties providing for her family.

"I struggled with drug use," said Wright. "I lost everything. I mean, I lived on the street. One day, I just got tired." She said she kept praying for that kind



Sheila Wright receives the keys to her new house, the 100th built by Habitat for Humanity Capital District in the last nearly 30 years.

Photo by Peggy Hogan-Rao

of life not to be the legacy she leaves her children. "It's not the life that I chose for them."

During that time, Wright said that she never thought about what she had hoped for in her future, but only about getting clean and back onto her feet. Owning a house, though, "was always a dream of mine," she said. "I never thought about my dreams."

Wright said that when she found she had been chosen by Habitat for Humanity, she could hardly believe it. Her new home includes separate bedrooms

for her and her sons, amenities and a balcony overlooking the Albany neighborhood.

Jacobson said that Habitat will continue providing for low-income families like the Wrights, but hopes that the assumptions people have of such families will change for the community.

"If we don't find a way to ensure that our hard working low-income families remain a vital part of our economic structure, I think there's going to be a rude awakening coming forward," said Jacobson.



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Needle felted flowers at RCS Library

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library and Donna will supply all you need for the project. Registration is appreciated.

Book discussion

Looking for a new author? In search of a really good read? The library's book discussion groups are reading two terrific choices. New members are always welcome. Copies of the

books are available at the library.

The Lunch Time book group will discuss "Song of Solomon" by Toni Morrison; join them on Wednesday, June 17, at noon.

The Last Tuesday book

group will discuss "State of Wonder" by Ann Patchett on Tuesday, May 26, at 7 p.m.

Book sale

The Village-wide Yard Sale will be on Saturday,

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— Carol Melewski



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■ FROM THE EDITOR'S DESK

Goodbye, Spotlight Viking

Every once in a while you meet someone who truly loves their job. Tobie Anderson was one of those people.

In my 30 years of working for newspapers I have met, worked with and supervised many dedicated, smart and hard-working people. We all stay in this industry for reasons other than getting rich. Tobie was special when it came to his job at *The Spotlight*.

He delivered *Spotlight* products to stores and distribution points across the Capital District and took his job seriously, very seriously.

He and I would have a routine each month when he delivered our monthly magazines and it always would start with a question.

"I have a question for you," he would say, then clarify. "Well... a

few questions."

It would always be followed by something concerning his deliveries. He would want to know exactly when the trucks were coming in, how come they were late, why were five bundles short one paper and others two over and which driver would be delivering what that month. Sometimes he would drive me nuts, but I couldn't be mad at him. I knew he was asking because he really loved and cared about what he was doing.

There were many times he knew more about the delivery of *Spotlight* products than I did. He had the cell numbers of all the drivers and would have them call him the night before the papers went out so he could meet the truck, help the driver unload and get his delivery for the next morning. The printing plant would sometimes call him

if the shipment was going to be late before calling me because they knew he would be waiting. When talking with his wife Dorothy last week about his routine, she said he would plan his week and even vacations around the delivery schedule of *The Spotlight*.

Two months ago, Tobie made the decision to give up his last routes to address his health. It was a real hard transition for him. We were shocked when we received word of his passing this week at 71.

So, why was he the Spotlight Viking, you may ask?

We have people from all backgrounds and they are knowledgeable in many areas outside of newspapers. Tobie was an expert in Swedish history and professional wrestling. Over the years, he wrote articles for *The Spotlight* that were not just

historical, they were his history.

His parents were immigrants to America that settled in Jamestown, N.Y. and his heritage played a large role in who he was. In one of his *Spotlight* articles he wrote humorously:

"My father even went down the path of name change from Larson to Anderson. Since everyone knew him as 'Andy' Anderson, that name change saves me from being nicknamed 'Larceny' today!"

He would attend conferences and meetings for Scandinavian heritage at least once a year where he would teach sessions in Swedish history and culture. He held bachelor and master's degrees in political science and was retired after a 30-year career from the State. He never spoke of those things while here because his focus was always on his *Spotlight* duties and his

customers.

Tobie was a fixture here at *The Spotlight* and it was important for him to be present at every event. Last Halloween, he arrived at the office dressed in a Viking helmet with long braids. He simply said, "I am Viking, so this is really not out of character."

We will miss Tobie Anderson and we are glad he stopped at Spotlight Island during his life's exploration.

— John McIntyre



■ GET TO KNOW ...



Dave Lendrum
BCHS Science Teacher

Hometown: Queensbury, NY
Residence: Westerlo, NY

What are you listening to these days? (music, podcast or audio book)

I really like Avenged Sevenfold. Yeah, Avenged Sevenfold, the Deftones... I go back to anything old and metal. I've been listening to the Flam Flams with my kids though. My daughter loves them.

What are you currently reading?

Right now I've been reading a lot with my kids. I'm in the fourth Harry Potter book with them since October. Reading through the series with them is a fun experience.

What are you watching on television?

Turn. Washington Spies. I don't actually watch much television. Almost none. So if it's not on Netflix I probably haven't seen it. Our other favorite show is *The Incredible Dr. Pol*. He's a veterinarian from Michigan. And it's kind of neat. All 3 of my kids are

into it and it's not cartoons so I can tolerate it.

What was the last movie you saw and why?

It might've been *Cars 2* cause my kids wanted to see it. I haven't been to the movies in a really long time. When did that come out?

One person living or dead you would like to meet and why?

My great grandfather. My mom's mom's father. I've always wanted to meet him because I am currently working the farm that he built. He died in the 50s and I love to know what he thought of it now. And he used to ride motorcycles and I like motorcycles myself. Of all the people in the world that's the one person I'd like to meet. He rode his motorcycle from New York to Florida in the 40s when there were

no highways. He sounds like an interesting character.

Describe your dream vacation.

My dream vacation would actually be a motorcycle tour of the southwest. Either that or I'd like to run the Baja 1000. Although I don't know if that's actually a vacation.

What is your favorite hobby?

I think farming. We'll call it large scale gardening.

Describe what your last meal would be?

I'd want my mom and dad, my wife and kids there. Anything the kids would eat. Probably spaghetti and meatballs. If I knew it was my last meal I don't think we'd care about the food much.

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■ LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Conflict of interest apparent

Editor, The Spotlight

Despite the opposition of the Bethlehem Town Board, on May 11th the Albany County Legislature passed significant environmental legislation that will ensure the availability of safe drinking water for all Albany County residents. The new "Drinking Water Protection Law" prohibits blasting in areas where damage to drinking supplies may occur and it provides well owners with the right to both "pre" and "post" blast water supply analyses. The law also authorizes the County Health Department to impose fines and provide remediation where blasting causes damage to water supplies.

The bill, co-sponsored by Bethlehem area legislators L. Michael Mackey (District. 38), Herbert W. Reilly, Jr. (33), Thomas J. Cotrofeld, Jr. (34), Frank J. Comisso (11), and Justin O. Corcoran (9), was drafted in response to plans for the "Kinder-Morgan" gas pipeline which, when completed, will transport gas through the towns of Bethlehem, New Scotland, Berne, and Knox. The bill garnered supporting resolutions from town boards in New Scotland, Berne, and Knox and passed by a unanimous vote by the Legislature. Only Bethlehem stood in opposition with Town Board member and County Legislature candidate Bill Reinhardt speaking publicly against the measure.

While clearly out-of-step with the rest of Albany County, the Bethlehem Town Board has continued its time honored tradition of marching in lockstep to the cadence called by the town's Democrat machine. In this instance it subordinated legitimate environmental concerns to the interests of "Big Oil", coincidentally, the type of firms represented by Party Boss Jeff Kuhn's law firm, DLA Piper.

And while we now know our drinking water will be protected we may

never know the why Bethlehem officials stood shoulder to shoulder in opposition to the Drinking Water Protection Law. We are also left with the knowledge that our Town government, hog-tied by political allegiances and

suffering from apparent conflicts of interest, is ill suited to provide the kind of open and transparent government we have been promised. It's time for the Board to change its ways or for residents to change the Town Board.

Dan Cunningham
Delmar

Editor's Note: The Bethlehem Town Board had not voted on the subject. When Spotlight News approached town trustee Bill Reinhardt, he said he was in favor of the measure.

Cool heads will prevail

Editor, The Spotlight

I hope that the contract dispute between the Town of Bethlehem and the Bethlehem Police Officers Union will soon be resolved. In the meantime, we might all remember that the Town is governed

by elected officials who are responsible for employing and managing its uniformed and non-uniformed employees. Calling those elected officials "misguided," "bullies," "cronies" and "demonizers" cannot hide

the fact that the Town is simply engaged in a basic contract negotiation, not some witch hunt against a few of its employees. Cool heads and responsible behavior should prevail.

Ron Berger
Delmar

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Llama library invasion

The first visit was in 2013, and Conroy brought two llamas with her. The program was supposed to be held for the lids outside, however the heat was an issue for the two animals' safety. The event was going to be canceled, but Fitzpatrick offered to let the llamas come inside, since he knew they were house broken.

The program has been held indoors in the continuing years, and has been well attended.

"Anytime there's a program with animals, it's usually pretty popular with people," said Fitzpatrick.

Librarian and Llamas Live! coordinator Michelle Waldenmaier said she first met Conroy while visiting the farm for a Girl Scouts event. She knew Conroy to be a big-hearted person who has done a lot of outreach work in the community, so she asked if she would be interested in coming to the library. So far the program has been a great success.

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— Geoff Fitzpatrick,
Bethlehem Public
Library Director

"With so many great llama books for kids... it makes it not just a petting zoo event – it's a tie in to literacy," said Waldenmaier. "Making literacy come alive like this is a great way to engage children in reading."

Waldenmaier said the kids are typically in awe of the size of the llamas, particularly Miss Tank, since she is a large llama. A lot of people are also interested in the fact that the llama has no "bathroom issue" when it's indoors.

"The llamas are so regal when they bend down to kiss the children. They are such friendly, gentle animals," said Waldenmaier.

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<p>• On May 9, Samuel Striar, of Delmar, graduated Summa Cum Laude from the University of Maine with a bachelor's degree in biology.</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2014 semester at Hartwick College:</p> <p>Carly Drislane of</p>	<p>Guilderland Brianna O'Keefe of Voorheesville Kelsey Wegener of Voorheesville Delaney Shepardson of Delmar</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2014 semester at SUNY Fredonia:</p>	<p>Kathleen O'Mara of Altamont Alisa Fox of Glenmont Julianne Legnard of Schenectady Joshua Wolfson of Selkirk Francis Suarez of Slingerlands</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's</p>	<p>list for the fall 2014 semester at SUNY Delhi:</p> <p>Danielle Bookhout of Schenectady Cathryn McNeile of Selkirk Alexander Russ of Glenmont</p> <p>...</p> <p>The following students were named to the dean's list for the fall 2014</p>	<p>semester at the University of Delaware:</p> <p>Brian Crupi of Slingerlands Brett Kaplan of Glemont Maya Kassoff of Delmar Zachary Keller of Voorheesville Andrew Kemp of Schenectady</p>	<p>Salvatore Loccisano of Voorheesville Maeve Montesi of Schenectady Caroline Murphy of Schenectady Kelly Nash of Schenectady Emily Slingerland of Glenmont Taylor Tewksbury of Schenectady</p>
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